
MINUTES

OF

The General Assembly

OF MICHIGAN,

FOR THE YEAR 1881.

MINUTES
OF THE
GENERAL ASSOCIATION
OF THE
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
OF MICHIGAN,
AT THEIR MEETING IN
CHARLOTTE, MAY 18TH, 1881.

WITH AN APPENDIX.

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Preacher for Next Year.

A. B. C. F. Missions—Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D.
American Missionary Association—Rev. W. F. Day.
American Congregational Union—Rev. E. A. Berry.
Western Educational Society—Rev. Moses Smith.
American Bible Society—Rev. J. E. Richards.

VI.

Home Missionary Board of Directors.

REV. LEROY WARREN, Superintendent.

Eastern Conference—Rev. Zachary Eddy, D.D.	G'd Traverse Conference—Rev. J. D. Millard.
Jackson Conference—Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D.	Western Conference—Rev. Richard Lewis.
Marshall Conference—Rev. H. R. Williams.	N. Central Conference—Rev. E. W. Miller.
Grand River Conference—H. J. Hollister.	Cheboygan Conference—Rev. P. F. McClelland.
Genesee Conference—Rev. Fred. S. Hayden.	Lake Superior Conference— — — — —
S. Michigan Conference—Rev. E. T. Branch.	Lansing Association—Rev. J. L. Patton.
Kalamazoo Association—Rev. Elizur Andrus.	

Home Missionary Executive Committee.

Rev. W. B. Williams, }	- - - - -	Term of office expires in 1882
Rev. R. G. Baird. }	- - - - -	" " " 1883
Arthur O. Bement, }	- - - - -	" " " 1884
E. T. Grabill. }	- - - - -	
Dea. H. E. Baker, }	- - - - -	
Rev. T. P. Prudden. }	- - - - -	

Home Missionary Committees in Local Conferences.

Eastern.

Rev. A. Hastings Ross,	Rev. Zachary Eddy, D. D.,	Rev. M. A. Bullock.
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Jackson.

Rev. Wm. H. Ryder,	Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D.,	Rev. Thomas Holmes, D. D.
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Marshall.

Rev. J. N. Brown,	Rev. H. R. Williams,	Rev. D. P. Breede.
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Grand River.

Rev. J. Morgan Smith,	Rev. L. F. Waldo,	H. J. Hollister.
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Genesee.

Rev. W. F. Day.	Rev. J. P. Sanderson,	Rev. F. S. Hayden.
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Southern Michigan.

Rev. T. G. Colton,	Rev. E. T. Branch.	Rev. J. Van Antwerp
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Kalamazoo Association.

Rev. N. S. Wright,	Rev. C. O. Brown,	Rev. L. P. Spelman,	Rev. O. H. Spoor.
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Grand Traverse.

Rev. A. L. Gridley.	Rev. J. D. Millard,	Dea. L. W. Case.
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Northern Central

Rev. F. W. Miller,	Rev. E. G. Chaddock,	Rev. G. L. Beach.
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Cheboygan.

Rev. E. F. McClelland,	Rev. Chas A. Marsh,	Rev. T. A. Porter.
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Lansing.

Rev. T. P. Prudden,	Rev. J. L. Patton,	C. B. Stebbins.
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NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting will be held with the church at Greenville, on the third Wednesday in May, 1882, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

N. B. All records of Councils are requested, by vote of the General Association, to be forwarded to the Secretary for preservation.

VII.

Our System of Benevolences.

1. THE CONGREGATIONAL PUBLISHING SOCIETY—January and February.
REV. ALBERT E. DUNNING, S. S. Secretary, Cong. House, Boston, Mass.
2. THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION—March and April.
PROF. N. A. CALKINS, Treasurer, 59 Bible House, New York City.
3. THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY—May and June.
REV. A. H. CLAPP, D. D., Treasurer, 34 Bible House, New York City.
4. THE WESTERN EDUCATION SOCIETY—July and August.
LYMAN BAIRD, Esq., Treasurer, Chicago, Ill.
5. THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION—September and October.
REV. JAMES POWELL, Secretary, 112 West Washington St., Chicago, Ill.
6. THE AMERICAN BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS—November and December.
MR. LANGDON S. WARD, Treasurer, Cong. House, Boston, Mass.
7. THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY—
REV. G. M. TUTHILL, Superintendent, Kalamazoo.

Past Officers of the Association.

PLACE.	MODERATOR.	SCRIBE.
1842 At Jackson.	Rev. M. Harrison.	Rev. H. S. Hamilton.
1843 " Grass Lake.	" O. C. Thompson.	" Luther Shaw.
1844 " Marshall.	" S. Cochrane.	" Harvey Hyde.
1845 " Detroit.	" Harvey Hyde.	" H. L. Hammond.
1846 " Dexter.	" H. L. Hammond.	" G. L. Foster.
1847 " Jackson.	" G. L. Foster.	" C. Lockwood.
1848 " Ann Arbor.	" L. Smith Hobart.	" Harvey Hyde.
1849 " Dexter.	" C. Lockwood.	" H. D. Kitchel.
1850 " Kalamazoo.	" H. D. Kitchel.	" D. M. Bardwell.
1851 " Clinton.	" A. S. Kedzie.	" E. N. Bartlett.
1852 " Jackson.	" P. R. Hurd.	" L. Smith Hobart.
1853 " Ann Arbor.	" J. H. Benton.	" H. L. Hammond.
1854 " Detroit.	" J. D. Pierce.	" G. M. Tuthill.
1855 " Kalamazoo.	" Thomas Jones.	" Hiram Elmer.
1856 " Jackson.	" Hiram Elmer.	" P. R. Hurd.
1857 " Owosso.	" Edward Taylor.	Dea. Dexter Mussey.
1858 " Adrian.	" Joseph Anderson.	Mr. Henry Clubb.
1859 " Detroit.	" Asa Mahan.	Rev. P. R. Hurd.
1860 " Port Huron.	" S. S. N. Greeley.	" P. R. Hurd.
1861 " Ann Arbor.	" H. A. Reed.	" Hiram Elmer.
1862 " Grand-Rapids.	" G. M. Tuthill.	" Henry Bates.
1863 " Union City.	" John Patchin.	" Samuel Sessions.
1864 " Detroit.	" James S. Hoyt.	" L. F. Waldo.
1865 " Battle Creek.	" S. W. Streeter.	" L. F. Waldo.
1866 " Jackson.	" Henry Bates.	" W. B. Williams.
1867 " Kalamazoo.	" Wm. P. Russell.	" W. B. Williams.
1868 " Port Huron.	" N. J. Morrison.	" Elizur Andrus.
1869 " East Saginaw.	" Oliver S. Dean.	" F. P. Woodbury.
1870 " Grand Rapids.	" J. G. W. Cowles.	" Orange H. Spoor.
1871 " Romeo.	" William Platt.	" Warren F. Day.
1872 " Hudson.	" Jesse W. Hough.	" E. G. Chaddock.
1873 " Lansing.	" Orange H. Spoor.	" J. Wing Allen.
1874 " Adrian.	" Henry L. Hubbell.	" B. D. Conkling.
1875 " Kalamazoo.	" W. D. Love, D. D.	" J. Homer Parker.
1876 " Pontiac.	" Warren F. Day.	" James L. Patton.
1877 " Ann Arbor.	Hon. J. Webster Childs.	Hon. G. K. Newcombe.
1878 " East Saginaw.	Rev. J. Morgan Smith.	Rev. C. O. Brown.
1879 " Grand Rapids.	" A. Hastings Ross.	" Lucius O. Lee.
1880 " Detroit.	" Minor W. Fairfield.	Mr. E. F. Grabill.
1881 " Charlotte.	Hon. Wm. Chamberlain.	Dea. Amos Dresser, Jun.

SECRETARIES.

Rev. L. Smith Hobart.....	1842-1862
Rev. Philo R. Hurd.....	1862-.....

MINUTES.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION of Michigan held its fortieth Annual Meeting with the Church in the City of Charlotte, beginning May 18th, 1881, at 7½ o'clock P. M. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Warren F. Day, of East Saginaw, from Luke 12:50.

At the close of the sermon the Association was called to order by the Moderator of the last meeting, Rev. M. W. Fairfield, and Hon. William Chamberlain, of Three Oaks, was chosen Moderator, and Rev. Moses Smith Assistant Moderator; Dea. Amos Dresser, Jun., Scribe, and Rev. F. S. Hayden, Assistant Scribe.

The Moderator took the chair; and after the appointment of Rev. O. B. Waters to lead the devotional services in the morning, and the adoption of the programme printed by the Business Committee, the Association adjourned with prayer to 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning, the first half hour on that and the succeeding days to be spent in devotional exercises.

Second Day—Thursday Morning.

The Association met according to adjournment, and spent the first half hour in devotional exercises, led by Rev. O. B. Waters. At 9 o'clock the Moderator took the chair, and prayer was offered.

MEMBERS.

The roll of members was read by the Secretary, which, when completed, was as follows:

EASTERN CONFERENCE—

CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	DELEGATES.
Almont	Rev. F. W. Dickinson .....	.....
Columbus	Rev. Ward I. Hunt .....	.....
Detroit, 1st	Rev. Zachary Eddy, D. D.	Philo Parsons.
Detroit, 2d	Rev. Moses Smith	W. W. Tracy.
Flat Rock	Rev. Samuel D. Breede	J. A. B. Wolvern.
Imlay City	Rev. A. O. Cossar	H. H. Terwilliger.
Memphis	Rev. Lemuel B. Bissell	Dea S. G. Taylor.
Metamora .....	.....	J. N. Schumman.
New Haven	Rev. Robert Parsons .....	.....
Oxford	Rev. N. Dimic Glidden .....	.....
Pontiac	Rev. E. A. Berry .....	.....
Port Huron	Rev. A. Hastings Ross	Dea. Allen Fish.
Rochester	Rev. W. C. Calland .....	.....
Richmond	Rev. Ebenezer Ireland .....	.....
Royal Oak	Rev. Robert Hovenden .....	.....
Wayne	Rev. D. C. McNair .....	.....
White Rock	Rev. Richard M. Burgess .....	.....
Rev. Minor W. Fairfield, Rev. Philo R. Hurd, D. D.		

JACKSON CONFERENCE—

Ann Arbor .....	.....	Dea. P. L. Page.
Chelsea	Rev. Thomas Holmes, D. D. ....	.....
Grass Lake	Rev. John Patchin .....	.....
Jackson	Rev. Jesse W. Hough, D. D.	Andrew Watson.
Leslie	Rev. James Watts	Mrs. James Watts.
North Leoni .....	.....	Dea. Ivester Young.
Pinckney	Rev. K. H. Crane .....	.....
Sandstone .....	.....	Thomas Sackrider.
Union City	Rev. H. H. Van Auken	Dea. I. W. Clark.
Webster	Rev. Wm. C. Allen	S. F. Sears.

MARSHALL CONFERENCE—

Charlotte	Rev. J. Newton Brown	Dea. H. S. Arnold.
Chester .....	.....	W. Clements.
East Johnstown	Rev. Frederick C. Wood	S. R. Willison.
Eaton Rapids	Rev. D. Payson Breede	Dea. A. C. Dutton.
Fredonia	Rev. A. N. McConoughey	Josiah Phelps.
Johnstown & Barry .....	.....	A. G. Deney.
Kalamo	Rev. C. S. Cady	Dea. Geo. Sprague.
Olivet	Rev. H. M. Goodwin, D. D.	Henry Heydenburk.
Vermontville	Rev. H. R. Williams	Dea. Asa Benedict.
Walton	Rev. Charles Spooner .....	.....
Rev. Elijah Cash, Rev. Joseph Estabrook, Rev. H. C. Morse, Rev. W. B. Williams.		

GRAND RIVER CONFERENCE—

CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	DELEGATES.
Ada, 1st -----	Rev. A. H. Norris -----	M. M. Livingston.
Alpine and Walker--	Rev. L. F. Waldo-----	-----
Bradley-----	-----	Dea. R. W. Fox.
Eastmanville -----	Rev. Darius Bettes-----	Mrs. Darius Bettes.
Grand Rapids, 1st----	Rev. J. Morgan Smith-----	James Gallup.
Grand Rapids, 2d----	Rev. H. Uiterwyk-----	-----
Grand Rapids, South--	Rev. Ben F. Sargent-----	Mrs. G. A. Pollard.
Grandville -----	Rev. Edwin Booth-----	Mrs. Edwin Booth.
Middleville -----	Rev. W. S. Bugbey -----	Mrs. A. M. Pitman.
Rockford-----	-----	Dea. M. C. Watkins.
Wayland-----	-----	Dea. Samuel Paul.
Rev. J. J. Bunnell, Rev. H. M. Holiday, Rev. John S. Maile, Rev. G. A. Pollard.		

GENESEE CONFERENCE—

Bay City-----	-----	Luther Carman.
East Fulton-----	Rev. M. E. Bacon-----	-----
East Saginaw-----	Rev. Warren F. Day-----	Dea. Chester B. Jones.
Essexville-----	Rev. J. B. Dawson-----	-----
Flint-----	Rev. Frederick S. Hayden---	H. R. Lovel.
Goodrich-----	Rev. J. Monroe Lyon-----	Dea. John Bridgham.
Grand Blanc-----	Rev. A. T. Waterman-----	G. Russell Parker.
Ithaca-----	Rev. F. L. Bristol-----	S. J. Thoenen.
Laingsburg-----	Rev. Fayette Hurd-----	-----
Owosso-----	Rev. L. B. Platt-----	-----
Perry-----	Rev. James Verney-----	Dea. E. W. Wallace.
Standish-----	-----	W. D. King.
Vienna-----	Rev. John P. Sanderson-----	-----
Rev. William H. Osborn, Rev. George M. Tuthill.		

SOUTHERN MICHIGAN CONFERENCE—

Dundee-----	Rev. F. W. Hullinger-----	H. Egalbroad.
Franklin-----	-----	Dea. Edwin Cook.
Hudson-----	Rev. T. G. Colton-----	Dea. E. Childs.
Litchfield-----	-----	Dea. George T. Robards.
Morenci-----	Rev. J. Van Antwerp-----	Mrs. J. Van Antwerp.
North Adams-----	Rev. C. S. Shattuck-----	-----
Wheatland-----	-----	Dea. James Robbins.
Rev. Benjamin F. Boller, Rev. Reuben Everts.		

KALAMAZOO ASSOCIATION—

Bradley-----	Rev. George Candee-----	-----
Bridgeman-----	Rev. Porter B. Parrey-----	-----

KALAMAZOO ASSOCIATION—(Continued)—

CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	DELEGATES.
Cooper-----	Rev. Elizur Andrus-----	Dea. L. B. Fisher.
Covert-----	Rev. Levi P. Spelman-----	Wm. M. Kenney.
Dowagiac-----	Rev. O. H. Spoor-----	-----
Galesburg-----	-----	Dea. N. L. Randall.
Kalamazoo, 1st-----	Rev. Charles O. Brown-----	A. T. Prouty.
Kalamazoo Plymouth-----	Rev. N. L. Wright-----	-----
Keelersville-----	Rev. N. D. Lamphear-----	-----
Otsego-----	Rev. D. W. Comstock-----	-----
Three Oaks-----	-----	Dea. Wm. Chamberlain.
Rev. F. W. Bush, Rev. Adam S. Kedzie.		

WESTERN CONFERENCE—

Grand Haven-----	Rev. Richard Lewis-----	-----
Fremont Center-----	Rev. J. C. Mitchell-----	-----
Pentwater-----	-----	Dea. Amos Dresser, Jr.
Robinson-----	Rev. Clarence Finster-----	-----
Shelby-----	Rev. J. A. Bartlett-----	-----
White Cloud-----	Rev. Wm. G. Puddefoot-----	-----
Whitehall-----	Rev. O. B. Waters-----	Byron Hammond.

NORTHERN CENTRAL CONFERENCE—

Baldwin-----	-----	Mrs. J. L. Johnson.
Big Rapids-----	Rev. E. W. Miller-----	-----
Chase-----	Rev. H. H. Smith-----	-----
Manistee 1st-----	Rev. E. D. Chaddock-----	John F. Nutall.
Manistee Mission-----	Rev. W. E. Sillence-----	-----
Reed City-----	Rev. George L. Beach-----	-----

CHEBOYGAN CONFERENCE—

Northport-----	Rev. Page F. McClelland-----	-----
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LANSING ASSOCIATION—

Edmore-----	Rev. Henry Marsh-----	-----
Greenville-----	Rev. J. L. Patton-----	E. H. Leaming.
Lansing-----	-----	H. R. Hubbard.
Portland-----	-----	Dea. C. J. Warren.
Sheridan-----	Rev. J. T. Otis-----	-----
Wacousta-----	Rev. W. H. Skentlebury-----	-----
Williamston-----	Rev. J. J. Bunnell....	Dea. N. C. Branch.
Rev. S. S. Palmer, Rev. Leroy Warren.		

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES ENTITLED TO SEATS.

Dea. H. E. Baker, E. F. Grabill, Rev. T. P. Prudden, C. B. Stebbins.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Rev. N. G. Clark, D. D., Sec. A. B. C. F. Missions, Boston, Mass.; Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., Sec. A. B. C. F. Missions, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. A. E. Dunning, S. S. Secretary, Boston, Mass.; Rev. James Powell, Sec. Am. Missionary Association, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. William B. Brown, D. D., Sec. Congregational Union, New York, N. Y.; Rev. Simeon Gilbert, of the General Association of Illinois; Rev. Charles A. Northrop, of the General Conference of Connecticut; Rev. W. W. Lyle, Pastor of Bay City; Rev. E. Payson Stone, of the New Hampshire General Association; Rev. M. M. Martin, of the General Convention of Wisconsin; Rev. R. W. Wallace of the Congregational Union of Canada; Rev. W. H. Blair and Rev. J. Lynnett, of the Synod of Michigan; Prof. A. H. Lowrey, of the Protestant Methodist Church; Rev. T. H. Delamater, of the Synod of Erie, Pa.; Rev. T. H. Teal, of the Michigan Baptist Convention; Rev. B. F. Porter, of the Free Baptist Convention; Rev. George D. Lee, of the Michigan Conference of the M. E. Church; Rev. D. H. Shelly, of the Michigan Conference of the United Brethren in Christ.

Nominating Committee.

Rev. Elizur Andrus and Rev. Elisha W. Miller were elected members of the Nominating Committee.

New Conference.

The Churches constituting the Chippewa and Mackinac Conference in the Upper Peninsula, made application for admission to this General Association. Their request was referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. James Gallup, Rev. F. W. Dickinson and Rev. A. T. Waterman. This Committee subsequently reported in favor of their admission, and their report was adopted.

Notice of an Amendment to the Constitution.

Notice was given of the following amendment to the Constitution:

To insert in Art. III. before the words "is a member," "and any regularly installed pastor in the exercise of his functions in the State of Michigan in good and regular standing with the Churches."

An Amendment to the Constitution Adopted.

The amendment proposed to Art. VII., Sec. 1, at the last meeting was adopted, as follows:

“There shall be a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall retire each year in the order of their election, and three shall be chosen annually, one of whom shall be the Minister of the Church with which the Association votes next to meet. This Committee shall cause to be offered,” etc.

Narrative of the State of Religion.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by the Secretary, and referred back to the Committee, which subsequently reported, and their report was laid upon the table.

Olivet College.

Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D., from the Committee to visit Olivet College, made a report, which was accepted.

Oberlin Theological Seminary.

Rev. D. P. Breede, from the Committee to visit Oberlin Theological Seminary, made a report, which was accepted, and the following resolution passed:

Resolved, That, recognizing the noble work done by Oberlin Theological Seminary in the past, and our need of its services now and in the future, we again renew our promises of sympathy and aid, and urge upon the Lord's stewards in our Churches the pre-eminent claims of this Seminary to their support.

Religious Education.

Rev. H. M. Goodwin, D. D., read a paper on Religious Education.

The Association adjourned with prayer to 2 o'clock P. M.

Thursday Afternoon.

The Association met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

Sunday School Conference.

Rev. C. O. Brown read a report from the Committee on a Sunday School Conference, which was referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. J. Morgan Smith, H. R. Lovel, Rev. Wm. G. Puddefoot and James Gallup; and their report was made the order of the day for 4½ o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

Nominating Committee.

Rev. O. C. Thompson, of the Nominating Committee, being absent, Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D., was appointed in his stead.

The American Bible Society.

Rev. George M. Tuthill presented the claims of the American Bible Society.

Newspapers.

Mr. E. F. Grabill read a paper on Newspapers in aid of Church work, after which the subject was discussed.

Interpretation of Art. III. of the Constitution.

A question arising as to the interpretation of Art. III. of the Constitution, a Committee consisting of Revs. A. H. Ross, M. W. Fairfield, and N. S. Wright, was appointed to consider the subject and report.

Support of Benevolent Societies.

Rev. George L. Beach read a paper on the question: "How to secure the support of our Benevolent Societies?" and after discussion it was voted that he be requested to offer the paper to the *Advance* for publication.

Report of the Board of Directors of Home Missions.

The Report of the Board of Directors for Home Missions was read and made the special order of business for 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Appointment of Committees.

The Nominating Committee reported the following Committees for the ensuing year, and their report was adopted:

To Visit Oberlin Theological Seminary—Rev. T. G. Colton, H. O. Hitchcock, and Philo Parsons.

To Visit Olivet College—Rev. W. H. Ryder, Rev. H. H. Van Auken, and E. S. Lacey.

Narrative—Rev. P. R. Hurd, D. D., Rev. J. P. Sanderson, and Deacon E. W. Wallace.

Necrology—Rev. A. S. Kedzie, Rev. John Van Antwerp and Rev. P. B. Parrey.

A. B. C. F. Missions—Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D.

American Missionary Association—Rev. Warren F. Day.

American Congregational Union—Rev. E. A. Berry.

Western Educational Society—Rev. Moses Smith.

American Bible Society—Rev. J. E. Richards.

Home Missionary Board of Directors.

Rev. Leroy Warren, Superintendent.

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Grand Traverse Conference—Rev. J. D. Millard.

Western Conference—Rev. Richard Lewis.

Northern Central Conference—Rev. E. W. Miller.

Cheboygan Conference—Rev. Page F. McClelland.

Lake Superior Conference—

Lansing Association—Rev. J. L. Patton.

At Large—Philo Parsons, Deacon I. W. Clark, Deacon Gordon Corning, Deacon L. Kassick.

The Association adjourned with prayer until 7½ o'clock this evening.

Thursday Evening.

The Association met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

Rev. Richard Lewis presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, which was accepted; after which addresses were made on this subject by Rev. S. J. Humphrey, D. D., of Chicago, and Rev. N. G. Clark, D. D., of Boston.

The Association adjourned with prayer until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Third Day—Friday Morning.

The Association met, according to adjournment, and was opened with singing and prayer.

Sum to be Raised for Home Missions.

The Board of Directors recommended that the sum of \$11,500 be endeavored to be raised for Home Missions during the ensuing year, and their recommendation was adopted.

Amendments to the Constitution.

Notice was given of the following proposed amendments to the Constitution:

Art. VII., Sec. 2, to read as follows: "There shall be a Nominating Committee of three to be chosen by ballot each year in the first business session of the body, whose duty shall be," etc.

Sec. 3: That this section end with the clause, "to be presented to this body," and all succeeding words be stricken out.

Executive Home Missionary Committee.

Rev. T. P. Prudden, of Lansing, and Dea. H. E. Baker, of Detroit, were appointed members of the Home Missionary Executive Committee.

Committee on Resolutions.

Rev. A. S. Kedzie, Rev. F. W. Hullinger, and Dea. James Robbins were appointed a Committee on resolutions.

Temperance.

Mrs. E. B. Hudson, of the W. C. T. Union, was invited to read a paper on Temperance Work.

Visit to Olivet College.

An invitation to visit Olivet College in a body was presented by Rev. W. B. Williams, and accepted.

The American Missionary Association.

Rev. N. D. Glidden presented the report of the Committee on the American Missionary Association, which was accepted, and the Association addressed by the Secretary, Rev. James Powell, of Chicago.

The American Congregational Union.

Rev. William B. Brown, D. D., Secretary of the American Congregational Union, presented the interests of that Society, and made some recommendations, which were referred to a committee consisting of Rev. C. O. Brown, Philo Parsons, and E. H. Leaming.

Congregational Union of England and Wales.

A fraternal letter was read from the Secretary of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, informing this body of their intention to celebrate their fiftieth anniversary next October, and inviting this Association to send delegates to participate in the services of the occasion. This letter was referred to the Committee on the American Congregational Union.

Professor Mead.

Rev. J. N. Brown announced the death of Prof. Hiram Mead, of Oberlin, and it was referred to the Committee on Necrology to bring in a suitable minute.

The Association adjourned with prayer until 2 o'clock P. M.

Friday Afternoon.

The Association met according to adjournment, with the Assistant Moderator in the chair, and was opened with singing and prayer.

Interpretation of Art. III. of the Constitution.

The Committee on the interpretation of Art. III. of the Constitution reported the following minute, which was adopted:

Under the principles on which our Churches, Conferences, and Associations have been organized, this General Association holds that Art. III. of its Constitution does not involve the right or privilege of a church in connection to be represented in this body by a delegate who is not a member of the said church, and that Rev. A. H. Lowrey cannot therefore be enrolled as a delegate of West Adrian Church.

Disabled Ministers and the Families of Deceased Ministers.

The Committee appointed last year, on the adoption of some provision for Disabled Ministers and the families of Deceased Ministers, reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, We feel that some steps should be taken at once to secure a partial provision, at least, for the maintenance of disabled ministers, and the relief of the families of deceased ministers of our denomination within our borders; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That Rev. W. B. Williams, Dea. C. I. Walker, Dea. C. B. Jones, James Gallup, Dea. William Chamberlain, and Philo Parsons be requested

by this Association to associate themselves as a body corporate, under the statutes of the State of Michigan, for the purpose of receiving, holding and disbursing funds committed to them in accordance with the intent of the above preamble.

Resolved, 2. That our churches be requested to take up a collection annually in aid of the fund for the relief of disabled ministers, and the families of deceased ministers, and that the administration of the same be entrusted to the brethren named as soon as they shall have secured incorporation; and that until said incorporation shall have been effected, funds raised for this purpose shall be committed in trust to the Treasurer of the General Association.

Resolved, 3. That we respectfully request those invited to become incorporated for this purpose, to consider the plans and suggestions presented by the Committee of the National Council, and adopt such of them as to them may seem best adapted to facilitate the work and secure the ends contemplated by these resolutions.

Necrology.

The Committee on Necrology made a report on the death of several brethren deceased during the year, together with a minute on the death of Prof. Mead, of the Oberlin Theological Seminary, which was accepted and adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Minutes. (See Appendix C.)

Chicago Theological Seminary.

Rev. A. S. Kedzie made a report on the condition and needs of the Chicago Theological Seminary, which was accepted.

Bible Study in the Churches.

Rev. F. S. Hayden read a very discriminating paper on "Bible Study in the Churches,"

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The Congregational Union of England and Wales.

The Committee on the invitation from the Congregational Union of England and Wales to send delegates to their semi-centennial, to be celebrated in October next, reported that the invita-

tion be accepted, and their report was adopted. The following delegates were appointed:

Rev. Horatio Q. Butterfield, D. D.; Rev. Moses Smith, Alternate.

Hon. C. I. Walker; James Gallup, Alternate.

Place of Next Meeting.

Greenville was unanimously chosen as the place of holding the next meeting.

Sunday School Conference.

The committee to whom was referred the matter of a Sunday School Convention made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

We recommend—

1. The appointment of a State Committee of three by this General Association annually, whose chairman shall serve as a Sunday School Secretary, to operate in harmony with the General S. S. Secretary of our denomination; and that this committee co-operate with the local committees of the districts.

2. That there be an annual Sunday School Convention in each District, as such districts shall be divided by State and local committees.

3. That such members of each local Conference or Association as are now present assemble by themselves and nominate a temporary committee of three in each Conference, to co-operate with the State Committee till the next meetings of the Conferences and Associations, when permanent committees shall be formed for the same purpose.

A Substitute for Installations.

Rev. A. H. Ross read a paper on "A Substitute for Installations," which was referred to a committee consisting of four ministers and two laymen, viz: Revs. M. W. Fairfield, O. H. Spoor, J. W. Hough, D. D., and Zachary Eddy, D. D.; Dea. H. E. Baker and Dea. S. F. Drury, to report at the next annual meeting of the Association. The paper was also ordered to be printed in the Minutes and 1000 extra copies printed and circulated for the information of the churches. (See Appendix D.)

Sunday Appointments.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported the following ministers to preach on Sunday, and their report was adopted:

In the Congregational Church—In the morning, Rev. J. W. Hough, D. D.; in the evening, Rev. Z. Eddy, D. D., to deliver a lecture on Bible Revision.

In the M. E. Church—In the morning, Rev. J. Morgan Smith; in the evening, Rev. E. G. Chaddock.

In the Baptist Church—In the morning, Rev. Leroy Warren; in the evening, Rev. T. G. Colton.

In the United Brethren Church—In the morning, Rev. Thos. Holmes, D. D.

In the Eaton Rapids Congregational Church—In the morning, Rev. N. D. Glidden.

In the Olivet Congregational Church—In the morning, Rev. Warren F. Day; in the evening, Rev. E. W. Miller.

In the Vermontville Congregational Church—In the morning, Rev. O. H. Spoor.

For the Communion Service—To preside at the table, Rev. Zachary Eddy, D. D., and Rev. F. S. Hayden; to serve at the table, Deas. William Chamberlain, Amos Dresser, Jr., James Robbins, Chester B. Jones, I. W. Clark and Henry S. Arnold.

Friday Evening.

The Association met according to adjournment, and was opened with singing and prayer.

The evening was devoted to Home Missions, and addresses were made by Rev. Leroy Warren, Rev. R. M. Burgess, Rev. W. G. Puddefoot, and Rev. Z. Eddy, D. D.

The New West Education Society.

The subject of "The New West Education Society" was introduced, and referred to a special committee consisting of Rev. J. Morgan Smith, Rev. T. G. Colton, and Dea. Chester B. Jones.

The Association adjourned with prayer until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Fourth Day—Saturday Morning.

The Association met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes up to the present time were read and approved.

Appointment of Committees.

The Nominating Committee reported the following additional committees, and their report was adopted:

Business Committee—For one year, Rev. Moses Smith, Rev. J. N. Brown, and Andrew Watson; for two years, Rev. A. T. Waterman, Dea. P. L. Page, and Rev. J. L. Patton.

On Sunday School Work—Rev. C. O. Brown, Chairman and State Secretary; James Gallup and F. S. Belcher.

The Tax.

The Treasurer reported that, to meet the past and present needs of the Association, a tax of \$500 would need to be laid, and it was so ordered, and assessed upon the local bodies as follows:

Eastern Conference.....	\$ 93 00
Jackson Conference.....	54 00
Marshall Conference.....	50 00
Grand River Conference.....	44 00
Genesee Conference.....	71 00
Southern Michigan Conference.....	31 00
Kalamazoo Association.....	66 00
Grand Traverse Conference.....	15 00
Western Conference.....	15 00
Northern Central Conference.....	15 00
Cheboygan Conference.....	8 00
Lake Superior Conference.....	7 00
Lansing Association.....	31 00
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	\$500 00

Home Missionary Meeting at Chicago.

Resolved, That this General Association rejoices that the American Home Missionary Society is to hold an anniversary meeting in Chicago next month, and hopes that the meeting may issue in an enlargement of its work.

Religious Newspapers.

The Association passed the following Minute as to Religious Newspapers:

"Whatever may have been true in other ages and lands, we conceive that in this age and land a religious newspaper is needful to intellectual and moral health in every Christian family. The religious intelligence it conveys, and its quickening in matters that challenge thought, prayer, endeavor and sacrifice, show the room it fills, and the want it meets. This room can be filled and this want met only by the best papers published.

"So we ask the families of our churches to get such a paper, whatever sacrifice or privations it may cost.

"We also ask the publishers of the *Advance* and *Congregationalist* to put these papers at such club rates to our Home Missionary churches that they shall be encouraged to make an earnest endeavor to supply their families with the same, being assured that an appetite will thereby be created which will be not only healthy, but imperative."

Manual.

Rev. A. H. Ross, Rev. Leroy Warren, and Rev. John Patchin were appointed a committee on a Manual, to report at the next annual meeting of the Association.

Congregational Union.

The committee to whom was referred the recommendations of Rev. Dr. Brown, Secretary of the Congregational Union, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

That this Association put on record—

1. Their conviction that hitherto this object of Church Building has not received from our churches the attention and the support which its relative importance demands.
2. That therefore we hail with joy the evident enthusiasm, the revived interest with which the able presentation of this cause by Dr. Brown was received in this body.
3. That we congratulate the society which Dr. Brown represents, and Dr. Brown himself, as well as the Churches we represent, upon the success which has

attended the recent management of the Society, and the wisdom with which it has been conducted.

4. That we therefore heartily endorse the Secretary's recommendation that our contributions to this vital object be largely increased.

5. That we also endorse his recommendation that a Committee of one be appointed in each local Conference or Association to co-operate with the Committee of this General Association to secure this end, and to have a general charge of the interests of the Congregational Union within their respective boundaries.

We desire also to express our sense of the fact, that no words of ours can rightly set forth the great importance of this Society to the interests of our Churches; and in this respect can do no better than to heartily endorse the eloquent and earnest words of Dr. Brown, which we consider to be thoroughly warranted by the facts. In our own State facts just now transpiring show that the Congregational Union and the American Home Missionary Society are but co-ordinate branches of one work—the former essential to the success and permanent usefulness of the latter. We are in danger of losing some of the results of our missionary labor, because other denominations hold out more glittering promises of putting up at once, for the new organizations, houses of worship.

The Treasurer's Report.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had examined the Treasurer's account and found it correct. Their report was accepted and adopted.

An Amendment to the Constitution.

Notice of an amendment to Art. V. of the Constitution was given to substitute the word "Tuesday" for "Wednesday" in the third line, and "Friday" for "Sabbath" in the fourth line.

The Narrative.

The Narrative was taken from the table and referred to a committee consisting of Revs. Leroy Warren, J. Morgan Smith and P. R. Hurd, D. D.

The Association adjourned with prayer to 7½ o'clock P. M. in order that the invitation to visit Olivet College might be accepted.

Saturday Evening.

The Association met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

Temperance.

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The sin of intemperance is a serious hindrance to the progress of the Redeemer's Kingdom; and,

WHEREAS, The Church of Christ must lead in the reformation from all sin; therefore,

Resolved, That this General Association recommend to the Churches of Michigan,—

1. The use of temperance literature in their Sunday Schools.
2. That they set apart stated meetings for prayer and conference in relation to the temperance work.
3. That they banish alcoholic wine from the Communion table.

Sunday School Work.

The Association listened to an address by Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston, on the Sunday School Work.

Narrative.

The Committee on the Narrative of the State of Religion reported that they had made sundry amendments of it, and as amended they recommend that it be published. The report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

Thanks.

The following resolution was unanimously and heartily adopted:

This General Association in closing its Fortieth Annual Session would express its grateful acknowledgements to the following railroads, which have kindly favored us with reduced fare in coming and returning to the meeting:

The Michigan Central, the Detroit Grand Haven and Milwaukee, the Michigan Southern and Lake Shore, the Chicago and Grand Trunk, the Flint and Pere Marquette, the Chicago and West Michigan, and the Grand Rapids and Indiana.

To Rev. J. N. Brown, the pastor of the Church in Charlotte, and the Committee of arrangements in that Church for the commodious ordering of affairs pertaining to this meeting.

To the Choir of the Church in Charlotte for delightful aid in our devotions.

To the Church and people of Charlotte for their generous hospitality; and

To Rev. W. B. Williams, the Faculty of Olivet College and the citizens of Olivet for their kind reception and hospitality during the visit made to them; also,

To the Moderator of the Association for the prompt and dignified manner in which he has presided over our deliberations.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Association adjourned with prayer until the public services of the sanctuary to-morrow, with the understanding that after these services the Association stands adjourned *sine die*.

Sunday.

The various appointments made by the Association for Sunday were filled as ordered. The Association then came to its final adjournment.

WILLIAM CHAMBERLAIN, *Moderator*.

MOSES SMITH, *Assistant Moderator*.

AMOS DRESSER, JUN., *Scribe*.

FREDERICK S. HAYDEN, *Assistant Scribe*.

APPENDIX.

A.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN,

In account with P. R. HURD, Treasurer.

CR.

1880.	May 22.	By cash on hand	\$345 38
1881.	May 21.	" " from Eastern Conference	62 50
		" " " Jackson Conference	38 00
		" " " Marshall Conference	33 00
		" " " Grand River Conference	33 50
		" " " Genesee Conference	51 00
		" " " Southern Michigan Conference	21 50
		" " " Kalamazoo Association	45 00
		" " " Grand Traverse Conference	11 00
		" " " Western Conference	15 50
		" " " Northern Central Conference	7 50
		" " " Cheboygan Conference	5 00
		" " " Lansing Association	22 00
		" " " Lake Superior Conference	3 70
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			\$694 58

DR.

1880.	August 7.	To printing 1,500 copies of Minutes	\$261 00
		" " 1,000 " Digest	19 33
		" Postage on Minutes and for the year	47 66
		" Printing circulars and schedules	7 50
1881.	May 20.	" Stationery for the year	1 50
		" Wrapping paper and Twine	1 19
		" Secretary's salary	100 00
		" Business Committee's bill	11 25
		" Balance paid National Council	2 36
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			\$451 79

Balance in Treasury ----- \$242 79

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, FOR ARREARS,

In account with P. R. HURD, Treasurer.

CR.

By cash from Eastern Conference-----	\$34 50
" " " Jackson Conference-----	21 00
" " " Marshall Conference-----	18 00
" " " Grand River Conference-----	21 50
" " " Genesee Conference-----	28 00
" " " So. Michigan Conference, (in part)-----	8 23
" " " Kalamazoo Association-----	25 00
" " " Grand Traverse Conference-----	6 00
" " " Western Conference-----	8 50
" " " Northern Central Conference-----	6 00
" " " Cheboygan Conference-----	3 00
" " " Lake Superior Conference-----	2 50
" " " Lansing Association-----	10 75
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	\$192 98

DR.

To draft sent to Rev. H. M. Dexter, D. D.-----	\$131 90
" " " " " " "-----	33 00
" " " Rev. L. Perrin, D. D.-----	30 01
" Exchange and postage-----	43
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	\$195 34

Overdrawn----- \$2 36

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF 1880,

In account with P. R. HURD, Treasurer.

CR.

1881. May 21. By cash from Eastern Conference (in part)-----	\$44 02
" " " Jackson Conference-----	27 50
" " " Marshall Conference-----	18 27
" " " Grand River Conference-----	19 50
" " " Genesee Conference-----	35 00
" " " Southern Michigan Conference-----	-- --
" " " Kalamazoo Association-----	28 90
" " " Grand Traverse Conference-----	6 00
" " " Western Conference-----	8 00
" " " Northern Central Conference-----	12 00
" " " Cheboygan Conference-----	-- --
" " " Lansing Association-----	14 07
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	\$213 26

DR.

1881. June 18. To draft on N. York, sent to Rev. L. Perrin, D. D., \$213 26

B. NARRATIVE OF THE CONDITION OF THE CHURCHES.

EXTENDING TO APRIL 1ST, 1881.

Eastern Conference.

Almont has paid its debt and is prosperous. Armada is again supplied with a pastor. Bridgehampton, having been long extinct, has finally been dropped from the roll. Bruce has scarcely anything remaining but a meeting house. Chesterfield mourns its separation from New Haven in the pastorate, but is determined to live; keeps up services and Sunday School. Columbus is holding its own. Detroit 1st has been usually prosperous, and rejoices in the recent organization of two vigorous churches out of what was formerly its misssons. Detroit 2d, rejoices over the recovery of its church edifice free from debt, the loss of which threatened its very life; its outlook is now favorable, and its spirituality good. Flat Rock has failed to report, and so has Hunter's Creek. Imlay City is out of debt and prosperous; is building a parsonage. Lexington is out of debt, with church edifice completed; it is a brave band and in good condition. Memphis, though grieving still for the loss by death of the pastor who had served them so long, is still courageous; has called a new pastor, with services well attended. Metamora has spared its young pastor for a year of study in the Seminary, and is now anticipating his return with much interest. Nankin and Livonia has failed to report. New Baltimore is struggling on against a tide of foreign immigration, which threatens to overwhelm it. New Haven is united, but not active; its Sunday School is small. Oakwood is supplied in connection with Goodrich, with good congregations. Orion is in a good condition, with increasing numbers. Oxford is struggling manfully with its great debt, and with brightening prospects. Pontiac is grandly emerging from the deep waters; held its

jubilee this year; is out of debt, and happily united. Port Huron has repaired its church edifice, and has had increased prosperity in its Sunday School; has held parlor Bible meetings for ten weeks. Richmond has failed to report. Rochester is growing into a closer union, and has had increased congregations. Ray has failed to report. Romeo is engaged in efforts to obtain a pastor. Royal Oak is small and weak, but has had a good degree of prosperity. St. Clair is busy in endeavors to fill the vacant pastorate. Utica, bereft of its much loved pastor by death, though not spiritually active, is united, and advancing. Wayne has exchanged pastors and is fairly prosperous. White Rock, though yet small, has been greatly increased in numbers; is extending its influence into the surrounding country.

Jackson Conference.

Ann Arbor has been prosperous in all the departments of Christian work; its debt has been wholly provided for. Augusta unites with the Presbyterian church of Stony Creek in the support of a pastor; reports increased interest in the Sunday School, and the church generally. Chelsea shows signs of spiritual health and growth; has largely increased its benevolences. Hamburg is without any preaching service. Grass Lake has not realized its utmost desires, but is hopeful for the future. Jackson has beautified the interior of its house of worship; has had an increased attendance upon the services of the sanctuary on the part of the children, and an active and healthy church work generally. Leslie laments its past want of prosperity, but is now resolved to work for better results. Michigan Center maintains its regular services, and has some signs of prosperity. Napoleon has failed to report. North Leoni has yet a name to live. Pinckney is in good working order, and has had some additions. Salem, though small, is still active and diligent. Sandstone shares the services of the Presbyterian pastor of Parma, and is hopeful. Summit has a new pastor, with whom it co-operates in Christian work. Union City has enlarged and beautified its house of worship, and made improvements in all departments of its work. Webster is in a healthy condition generally, and looking for increased blessings from the Lord. One church, Jackson 2d, has been dissolved by advice of Council.

Marshall Conference.

Bedford is somewhat flourishing, though deficient in attendance upon prayer meetings. Bronson is in better condition than for many years, with good Sunday School and good prayer meetings. Ceresco has just lost its pastor, and is now supplied from Marshall. Charlotte has had a prosperous year, with over fifty additions; prayer meetings well attended and an interesting state of things among the young. Chester has increased its membership six-fold, and has crowded congregations. East Johnstown has ordained a pastor, and has good congregations. Eaton Rapids is in a good financial condition, and has been greatly quickened, with several additions. Freedonia with the reception of a pastor, has seemed to put on new life, and has had some accessions. Johnstown and Barry, six months ago, was practically extinct. The pastor began his work with only eight helpers, which are now increased to eighteen, and things look hopeful. Kalamo has a new pastor and good congregations. Leroy has exchanged pastors. Marshall has parted with its pastor because of ill health, but has obtained another, by whom the work is being carried on. North Johnstown is supplied in connection with the two other churches in the township. Olivet is strong and in good condition; has had additions at every communion for fourteen years. Onondaga is destitute of a pastor. Potterville, for the first time in its history, has been able to sustain a weekly prayer meeting. Vermontville has had well attended meetings and a good Sunday School; by the adoption of a new plan hopes to avoid financial arrearages. Walton is of a scattered membership, and on that account has a difficulty in maintaining a prayer meeting.

Grand River Conference.

Ada 1st is in a fair condition. Ada 2d has failed to report. Alpine and Walker has a new minister, and is hopeful. Bradley is building a new church edifice, and is in good working order. Cannon and Cannonsburg are both destitute of a minister. Cedar Springs is destitute of a minister, but has good prayer meetings and Sunday School. Dorr has had no marked change. Dorr Village has held its ground against intemperance and irreligion. East Irving has failed to report. Eastmanville has been prosperous.

East Wayland is young and hopeful. Fruitport has its old pastor again. Grand Rapids 1st has increased its benevolences, and has a social Sunday evening service, with responsive readings, etc. Grand Rapids 2d has had a marked growth in its congregations, Sunday School, and general religious influences. Grand Rapids South has added a wing to its church edifice; installed a pastor and had a successful and encouraging year, with large additions. Grandville has increased its membership and influence. Hudsonville has improved, but its house of worship has not been completed. Irving is in a steady, healthy condition. Lamont is supplied in connection with Alpine and Walker. Lowell has been without a minister. Middleville is prosperous; supports the gospel by weekly offerings, and has contributed largely to benevolences. Paris hopes soon to have a house of worship. Rockford has been doing well. Sand Lake is small but hopeful. Sebewa has been growing. Stanton has received several additions; some by profession. Wayland has enjoyed a revival; with a large increase of membership.

Genesee Conference.

Alma is without a pastor, but presents an encouraging field for effort. Alpena has grown in benevolence and membership. Bancroft is a new church of some promise. Bay City has installed a pastor; has had a large increase by letter, and a large Sunday School. Bridgeport has engaged in union meetings with good results, and some additions. East Fulton has ordained a pastor, and organized a Ladies' Church Building Society. East Saginaw is in excellent condition. The debt provided for one year ago has been paid, which has given a new impulse in many directions. East Tawas has failed to report. Essexville, emerging from discouragements, is now progressing. Flint has had additions from the Sunday School, and has taken a new departure in the conduct of the prayer-meeting. Genesee has increased in numbers. Goodrich has made improvements in its church edifice, added a bell and sheds, and organized a Woman's Missionary Society. Grand Blanc has lost by death; contributions to parish expenses have been increased, and improvements made upon the church grounds. Hartland Center is without a pastor. Ithaca has a new pastor, with increased numbers in the church and parish. Laingsburg has made

repairs in its church edifice, but has been saddened by deaths and removals. Maple Rapids is without a pastor. Munger has only irregular preaching, but maintains its Sunday School. Ovid has a resident pastor, and is making progress. Owosso has a new pastor, with increased benevolences. Perry, after an existence of eighteen months, finds its numbers more than doubled, and has a new parsonage. St. Johns is united and harmonious in its work. Standish has made marked progress. Tawas City is in a good financial condition, and has increased its parish lines. Tyrone is without a pastor. Vernon has had an increase in its membership. Victor has revised its roll, with a decrease of numbers. Vienna holds its services at Clio, with an increase of the congregation, and is in an active and healthy condition.

Southern Michigan Conference.

Canandaigua has had increased congregations, a large Sunday School, and been generally prosperous. Clinton has paid off an old debt; has striven to hold its own, but has done little in the way of general benevolence. Dundee has repaired its house of worship, and has been generally prosperous, with same additions. Franklin has been without preaching a part of the year, but is now supplied in connection with West Adrian, and has good congregations. Hudson is financially healthy; has had some spiritual quickening, with interesting prayer meetings, and has done generously for benevolent objects. Jerome is weak; has no minister, and is suffering from internal troubles. Litchfield has had preaching only a part of the year; has suffered some loss in Sunday School interest, but has not forgotten the causes of benevolence. London unites with Dundee in the support of a minister, and is struggling on with the purpose of living. Morenci has finished its church edifice, and paid off its debt; has had largely increased congregations and Sunday School, and been generally prosperous. North Adams has had several additions, good attendance at church and Sunday School, but is about to lose its minister. Prattville, with preaching but part of the year, has suffered seriously from a long continued dissension. Raisinville, though very weak, has engaged in a successful union revival. Ransom is without a minister, but paying its debt. Somerset has had good congregations; is in a healthy spiritual state, with some additions, and remembers the

benevolences. West Adrian maintains public worship, and a good Sunday School; is out of debt and means to live. Wheatland has no minister, but keeps up its Sunday School, and devises liberal things.

Kalamazoo Association.

Alamo is in a good spiritual state, but just now without a minister. Allegan without a pastor for six months, has kept its Sunday School full. Augusta is seeking a pastor, though somewhat discouraged. Benton Harbor is advancing and hopeful. Bridgeman is building a house of worship; has a resident pastor who gives half his time to Coloma, and is prosperous. Coloma is not altogether without hope. Cooper has exchanged pastors, but has a steady movement for good in all directions. Covert celebrated its decennial last September in a new church which cost \$4,100, and moves on steadily, free from debt, with a good Sunday School and missionary interest. Dowagiac retains its hopeful vigor, and is making healthy progress. Galesburg has both lost and found a pastor; its women are prominent in work. Hopkins 1st is generally discouraged. Hopkins 2d has had a prosperous year. Kalamazoo 1st has secured a new pastor, and is moving on again with new interest. Kalamazoo Plymouth keeps up its good habit of paying its pastor's salary monthly in advance; has doubled its missionary collections, and is doing a good work. Keeler, though weak, is encouraged by the prosperity of the past year. Lawrence after a long interregnum, is again supplied with a pastor, and begins life anew. Mattawan is at last free from debt, and is hopeful. Otsego is financially square, and about to repair its church edifice. Saugatuck has a new pastor, and reports a goodly number of additions. South Haven is united in its new pastor, and diligent in every department of church life. St. Joseph is advancing. Three Oaks is moving on in good order, and with substantial interest. Vicksburg is seeking a new pastor, and is steadily working towards self-support.

Grand Traverse Conference.

Almira is progressing slowly under difficulties, and is preparing to build. Benzonia has had good attendance upon all meetings, with several additions, but many losses by death and remo-

vals. Brown is pastorless and scattered; sorely needs an under shepherd. Empire is but stationary. Frankfort has had good attendance upon meetings, but seems to lack in an earnest, vital piety, and in a mind to work. Glen Arbor is supplied in connection with Solon. Homestead has had good attendance upon public services, but has lost heavily by deaths and removals. Joyfield is small, but holds its own. Leland has not made much progress, and Marilla is in the same condition. Old Mission is new and small, but hopeful and increasing. Onekema, the only church of our order with preaching in the German language, has had an addition of two. Pleasanton is without a pastor and much broken. Sherman has failed to report. Solon has just secured a pastor. Traverse City is without a pastor, and without services. Whitewater is practically extinct.

Western Conference.

Fremont Center has maintained a good degree of interest in public services and a prosperous Sunday School, and is expecting an increase of membership. Fruitport is looking for a minister; will unite with Nunica in his support. Grand Haven has been substantially prosperous, with additions about balancing the removals, but gaining in strength. Its debt is steadily diminishing, with the hope of speedy extinguishment. Hart needs a minister. Muskegon has exchanged pastors. Its prosperity has outrun its church accommodations. Newaygo has failed to report. Nunica is in sore need of a faithful pastor, whose labors would not be in vain. Olive and Robinson are united in pastoral support; the field has been faithfully cultivated, with many good results. Pentwater has been engaged in active Christian work, with many additions and much religious quickening. Shelby has advanced in attendance upon public worship and Sunday School, with additions to its membership. Whitecloud is in a spiritually healthy state, with meetings well attended, and some additions at each communion. Whitehall has purchased an excellent property for a parsonage, which, with its neat church edifice, makes it a pleasant field of labor. It hopes by another year to be self-supporting.

Northern Central Conference.

Baldwin has increased in membership, but is now in need of a minister. Big Rapids has made provision for arrears of salary,

and is encouraged. Chase has a resident minister, and expects to build a parsonage. Clare, discouraged at the beginning of the year by removals, at the end has been refreshed and enlarged by a revival. Croton, as usual, has failed to report. Custer, a new church, is small in numbers, but strong in faith and abounding in good works. Farwell has now a resident minister, and is much quickened in its religious life. Hersey, though weakened by removals, has now an enlarged field by the withdrawal of all other English-speaking denominations from the place. Ludington is financially prosperous, but about to lose its pastor. Manistee is endeavoring to build up another church in a remote and spiritually destitute part of the city. Reed City has been steadily growing. Tustin has now regular services, and has doubled its membership. Weldon Creek has sent no report, and has but little life.

Cheboygan Conference.

Alba has failed to report. Banks has repaired its parsonage, and under a zealous pastor is in better tone than for some years previous. Berryville has been weakened by the failure to secure a railroad. Central Lake has been distracted by the efforts of another denomination. Cheboygan, under its new pastor, has been recovering lost ground. Excelsior has failed to report, and so has Fife Lake. Gaylord has paid off its debt, and grown in numbers. Kalkaska has more than doubled its membership. Kearney has failed to report. Mancelona has successfully resisted an effort to carry it over to another denomination, and is now warmly united under a new pastor. Manton is purposing to build. Northport has held on in the even tenor of its way. Otsego Lake has not reported. Roscommon has built and paid for a neat house of worship, and is hopeful. Westwood has suffered from the encroachments of another denomination.

Lansing Association.

Carson City and Crystal have failed to report. Delta has made no progress. Edmore has a hopeful outlook. Grand Ledge has paid its debt, and the faithful few remaining are much encouraged. Greenville is in a healthy condition, both spiritually and financially. Hubbardston has made no report. Ionia has many

discouragements,¹ but is hopeful. Lansing has made provision for its indebtedness, and has a flourishing Sunday School. Leroy, a new church, has good courage and a hopeful outlook. Millbrook, with reduced numbers, still maintains its organization, and is earuest and hopeful. Portland is without a pastor, but united and hopeful. Saranac has paid its debt and made additions. Sheridan has not reported. Wacousta maintains its prosperous standing of former years. Williamston rejoices in a new church edifice, and is very hopeful.

The condition of the churches, as indicated by the above reports, is more encouraging than for several years. There has been a great repair of dilapidations, and large payment of debts. The net gain of ²members in 1880 is, by the Year Book, 400, and is greater so far in 1881. Many churches report revivals and spiritual progress. The blessing of the Lord has followed a faithful and devoted ministry wherever found. There is great motive in these results for the co-operation of the churches and ministers of the Lord Jesus in ³promoting his cause by the sacrifices of faith and love.

C.

NECROLOGY.

Four Congregational ministers have died in Michigan since the last meeting of this Association: Rev. William Platt of Utica, Rev. James Ballard of Grand Rapids, Rev. Edmund R. Stiles, of Hancock, and Rev. Theophilus S. Brown of Newaygo. Of these only two, Revs. Wm. Platt and Edmund R. Stiles, were in the active work of the ministry—the former a member of the Committee on Necrology.

WILLIAM PLATT was born in Tompkins, Delaware County, N. Y., Nov. 3, 1818, and was the son of Christian parents. He early learned the trade of tanner and shoemaker, and worked faithfully at that occupation. He was converted when about 18 years of age, and his thoughts and desires at once turned toward the ministry. Being destitute of means, his anxious thought was how to secure an education preparatory to that work. Oberlin College, (then a manual labor institute), was in its infancy. By the advice of friends he went there, and like many others, through teaching and his trade, worked his way through a nine years' course of study. He graduated free from debt, with heart and mind thoroughly disciplined and educated for his chosen work.

During the winter of 1844 and '45 he traveled through southern Michigan in the interest of Anti-Slavery. In the fall of 1846 he commenced pastoral work in Lapeer, Mich., where he labored with great success. He was married August 26, 1847; his wife survives him. They have had four children, two of whom, sons, have died. A son is a teacher in the Flint Deaf and Dumb Institution, and a daughter, married, resides in Ypsilanti. Mr. Platt remained in Lapeer until the spring of 1854, when he removed to Utica. The present Congregational church was organized after his arrival, and under his advice and instruction. Its first years were years of hard struggling, but a careful hand was at the helm, and under his wise counsel it year by year gained in num-

bers and strength until, long before the severance of his pastoral relations, it had become self-sustaining. The present church—a little gem in its way—was built in 1855. Mr. Platt labored assiduously with brain and hand until its completion and dedication. His labors in Utica bore abundant fruit; he endeared himself to his church not only, but to the entire community. Here he formed the warmest friendships; and those friends have rallied about him and family during these dark days of his illness and death the sincerest of mourners. During the year 1871 Mr. Platt formed the conviction that his usefulness in the church at Utica had become impaired, and that a change of pastors would be beneficial to its interests; and in opposition to the members of his congregation and the many supporters of his ministry, he resigned his pastorate. Subsequent events proved that Mr. Platt was somewhat in error in his conception of the situation; yet in conversation with a friend only a few months since, he stated that his resignation was a matter of prayerful consideration for many months, that he had never regretted the step then taken, and that he still thought the best interests of his church had been subserved thereby. Mr. Platt went from Utica to Lodi, Mich., remaining two years, at which time the church, weakened by frequent removals, disbanded. From Lodi he went to Stoney Creek, and there the urgent call came for him to go to Maple Rapids, Mich., much to the regret of the people. The most laborious and discouraging work of his life was at Maple Rapids; a struggling church in a comparatively new place, with conflicting interests, it told heavily upon his strength and patience; but he heroically did his work.

In the spring of 1879, in obedience to the earnest call, in fact, demand, of his old church and congregation at Utica, Mr. Platt returned, and for the last year of his life labored with earnest zeal to harmonize conflicting interests, and upheld by loving hands and hearts, place the fortunes of his loved church on an enduring foundation. He departed this life at Ypsilanti, August 9, 1880. It is meet that in Utica, where the best years of his life were passed, should be the scene of his last labors, among the friends who have known him best and longest. It was meet that there the last sad offices should be paid to his remains; there, where the story of his honest, upright, manly, noble life is known to all. He died as he would have chosen, his last service the service of his Divine Master. His memory will be cherished by thousands throughout the State.

REV. THEOPHILUS S. BROWN departed this life at his residence in Croton, on the 20th of May, 1880. He was born at Mendon, Worcester County, Mass., June 7, 1812. He came of an honored and Puritan ancestry. His father before him was a minister of the Gospel, and his mother, whose maiden name was Southwick, was a Quaker. His brothers and sisters rank high as intelligent, wealthy and influential in their native State, one of whom, Josiah Brown, was the chief engineer in the construction of the celebrated Hoosac Tunnel. Attaining his majority, he was employed for a time in the cotton factories; then married Miss Lydia A. Tucker; soon after was ordained as a minister, and continued to preach for over 30 years, during the time being pastor of the "Old Spruce Church" in Plymouth County, Mass., for 13 years in succession. In 1854 he removed to Ulster County, N. Y., and engaged in the wholesale and retail boot and shoe trade, and so continued for two years, when, his wife dying, he returned to Massachusetts, carrying with him his family of six children. After a time he married Almira Westgate, an estimable lady, who survives him; and in 1872 he came to Newaygo County, where three of his sons, Parley, John W. and Sandford resided, and engaged in the boot and shoe trade, occasionally preaching when his health would permit.

Mr. Brown had the faith and lived the life of a rational Christian, always cherishing a devout sense of his responsibility to his Maker. His life's work had been well done. He had always been honorable and was esteemed by his neighbors. Integrity and honesty were his cardinal rules. He believed acts to be more potent than words. His life was exemplified by fixed principles and patient well-doing. In the full hope of a happy future and without fear he went to his rest.

REV. EDMUND R. STILES, pastor of the church in Hancock, Upper Peninsula, died Jan. 13, 1881, after a brief illness. He was a native of Clarksfield, Ohio. He entered Williams College and pursued part of his studies there, but graduated at Oberlin, Ohio. Entering the Oberlin Seminary, he was in the midst of his theological studies when the war of the rebellion broke out. He enrolled in the first company raised at Oberlin, and as sergeant went with it to the front in 1861.

He had the misfortune to be taken prisoner early in the war, and endured nine months of confinement in southern prisons. On

being exchanged he was brought to New York, to all appearance a dying man; but under the influence of nourishing food and good nursing he rallied and was able to finish his studies and enter upon the work of the ministry, though with a constitution much impaired. Toward the close of the war he returned to the army, and in connection with the Christian Commission ministered to the spiritual and bodily wants of the wounded.

His first work in the ministry was the care of the church in Brighton, Ohio. From thence he removed to Lowell, Mich., where he labored three years. He was then called to the church in Manchester, Iowa, where he served the Master eight years. For the last four years he was pastor of the church in Hancock, where his labors were abundantly blessed of the Lord.

All who knew him will testify that, even beyond his strength, he labored for the salvation of souls. He had the invaluable power of winning the respect and love of those whom he met for the first time, and by continued acquaintance those feelings were invariably deepened. His thorough consecration to his work, his self-forgetfulness and kindly manners made his grave but pleasant face ever welcome in the house of the rich and poor. His earnestness in the pulpit, having behind it a high Christian character and sterling manhood, made him an effective preacher. As a pastor he possessed the qualities that would make any man efficient; while the sweet Christian influence that went out from his delightful home added much to his pastoral power. The absence of ostentation about the man, and the correctness of his business habits, gave him great influence with the business men of the town, and made his loss deeply felt by the whole community.

He left his church free from discord and debt. His death has strengthened the bonds of affection by which his people have long been united to each other and to the Master.

He died in the 47th year of his age. And had it not been for privations he endured in the army, and especially by confinement in southern prisons, he might have been spared many years to work for the Master and for the people that loved him dearly.

His Ministerial Association say of him: "His uniform urbanity, his manifested kindness and unselfishness, his wise counsel and his deep devotion to the cause of God and humanity have endeared him to us, led us to prize him highly, and to deeply feel his loss. We are sharers in the sorrow of his bereaved church, and more

deeply bereaved family. In his death the community and the church of God have sustained a great loss."

REV. JAMES BALLARD was born at Charlemont, Mass., April 20, 1805. He was the youngest of eleven children, all of whom grew up to maturity. He was educated at Williams College, graduating when he was 22 years of age. For the next ten years he taught the Academy at Bennington, Vt., during which time he married Miss Emeline Hinsdill, of that place. They walked hand in hand for 36 years, when she departed this life in 1867.

He studied theology, at least in part, with Dr. Beman, of Troy, N. Y., and was ordained before coming west in 1838. In that year he began his western life and ministry with the Congregational Church in Grand Rapids. On his own responsibility he bought the old Roman Catholic church building in that city, and went east and raised most of the money for its payment.

Three children, one son and two daughters, were born unto him. These, with his nine grand-children, still live to revere his memory.

After a successful pastorate of ten years he resigned his charge of the church in Grand Rapids, when for six or eight years he led a varied life as his health permitted. Part of this time he was a farmer, then principal of high schools, and a part of the time he was able to devote to the more congenial work of laboring as a missionary among the feeble churches of Grand River Valley, many of which were formed by his aid and nurtured by his fostering care.

After the close of the war Mr. Ballard went south, and for two years taught the freedmen in Mississippi and Texas, seriously injuring his health thereby. Returning with enfeebled health, he retired from the active work of the ministry and resided at Grand Rapids till his death, which occurred January 7th, 1881, in the 76th year of his age.

As expressing, so far forth, a fitting estimate of our departed brother, I give extracts from remarks made by Rev. J. Morgan Smith at his funeral: "Our departed friend needs no disguise or concealment in his praise. His work as a teacher was honorable as well as successful. His course as a pioneer, a minister and missionary was one of declared purpose, of indefatigable zeal and of a mind bent wholly on its object.

"Mr. Ballard believed ardently in his church, in the doctrines and experiences in which he had been brought up, and in the public reforms which he held to belong therewith. He opposed intemperance, slavery, immorality and ignorance with the same devoted fidelity which he gave to the Gospel of his Master.

"His heart was one, his tongue was out-spoken in all causes. Evil he abhorred. He was the friend of man, of freedom, justice, right and country, without reserve. All, which health and strength and means would allow, and which labor could accomplish, all which was in him to apply, were given in sacrifice to improve and save the needy of our time.

"He took the heaviest load and the most unbefriended truth by instinctive preference. The advance guard of his day was his choice; and even when that guard had been victorious, he was willing to espouse new thoughts that might lead him still further on in the line of broader truth."

In the action taken by the Conference, which he aided in forming and to which for so many years he belonged, are found the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we see in the life, labors, ministry and last days of the Rev. James Ballard the blessing of God upon him and his long ministry among us. He was faithful even unto death.

Resolved, That we all are grateful to God and to him for his great usefulness in the churches of this Conference, where he made full proof of his ministry.

Such is the necrological report for this year. Only four out of 200 ministers—one less than last year, still a higher per centage than the average. Men they were who had seen service, the number of their years averaging 65½; yet younger than some members of this body, who must expect that, in a like report, the brief story of their lives will be told at a not far distant meeting of this General Association.

A. S. KEDZIE,
O. B. WATERS,
Committee.

P. S.—As Committee on Necrology we learn, since the meeting of this body, that Rev. Samuel Day, of Ann Arbor, has recently died. More than this sad fact we have not been able to find out at this late hour. We therefore ask the Committee on Necrology for next year to make inquiry and report on the life and death of Rev. Samuel Day.

A. S. KEDZIE,
O. B. WATERS,
Committee.

DEATH OF PROF. MEAD.

In this solemn hour, so made by recalling the recent deaths of some members of this Association, we learn with deep sorrow that Rev. Hiram Mead, Professor of Sacred Rhetoric and Pastoral Theology in Oberlin Theological Seminary, departed this life on the 18th inst.

He leaves to mourn his death not only his wife and children, but his associates in instruction, a large circle of friends, and those whom he helped in their preparation for the ministry.

To all these we offer our sympathy, for them we supplicate consolation, and with them mourn, as will the churches, this sore bereavement.

D.

[NOTE.—The following paper was read before the General Association at its late meeting in Charlotte, and was ordered to be printed in the Minutes for the edification of the Ministers and Churches of the State, that by a careful consideration of it they may be duly prepared to vote upon the proposition it contains at the next annual meeting of the Association].

A NEEDED IMPROVEMENT IN INSTALLATION.

I. *Meaning of Installation.* There is the greater need of defining installation, as the sense in which we use the word is marked by *Worcester* and by *Webster* as peculiar to the United States. And in the United States that peculiar use of the term belongs to the churches which have had their origin in early New England.

We mean by installation the induction of an ordained minister into his office as pastor of a particular church, which has elected him thereto, with appropriate ceremonies, through the advice and by the hands of an ecclesiastical council duly called for the purpose. (Boston Platform, 27, 28, 51).

In usage it involves: (1), An examination by the council of the call, acceptance, and contract for salary; (2), Examination of the pastor elect in respect to credentials, belief, experience, church membership; (3), Approval or disapproval by vote of the council, on which advice to the church depends; (4), Induction into office, in case of approval, with public ceremonies, as sermon, prayer, right-hand of fellowship, charge, and address to the people. Such installation is, in theory, for life, and has been repeatedly so held by the civil courts.

II. *Two elements in such installation:*

1. *The ecclesiastical element.* The induction of a man chosen as pastor into office is certainly ecclesiastical, and, seemingly, purely so; since a pastor has no civil function, except to solemnize marriages. The pastorate is a matter which concerns the churches but which the State may not control or forbid. Its fundamental

idea is ecclesiastical. But installation, as above defined, has another element bound up in it.

2. *The legal element.* That there is such an element is found by the inquiry made into the contract between pastor and people, both at installations and at dismissals. But the chief proof which we shall give lies in the decisions of civil courts. "The relation of the minister to the people," says Buck, "the courts regard as a *permanent* relation; to be dissolved by mutual consent, by a mutual council, or by an *ex-parte* council, where minister and people cannot agree upon a mutual council; and that a minister is entitled to his salary until his relation is thus dissolved." "This doctrine is not peculiar to Massachusetts. In New York, it is held that a regular ecclesiastical council (or its equivalent) is a necessary preliminary to the termination of the ministerial relation." (*Mass. Eccl. Law*, 212, 213). The *American Law Register* condenses the practice of courts in all the States into this position, namely: "Civil courts, in exerting their jurisdiction over religious societies, will adopt their rules and enforce their polity in the spirit for which they were designed." (New Series, XIV. 127); in proof of which manifold cases are cited.

This legal element has such bearing on the tenure of the pastorate, that the courts hold that the relation between an installed pastor and his people can be dissolved only in one of the following ways, namely: (1), By death; (2), by mutual consent; (3), by a mutual council; and (4), by an *ex-parte* council, if a mutual one be refused by either party. This legal element places a people so completely in the hands of a bad or willful pastor that he can perpetuate the relation against their will for months, and even years, and compel them to pay him a good salary while he chastizes them.

III. *Decrease in installations.* Originally all the pastors of our churches in New England were installed. "Until the close of the last century, the dismissal of a pastor was an event of uncommon occurrence; a thing which gave occasion for much remark, and the cause of dismissal was the subject of earnest inquiry. Councils, when called to act on the question of dissolving the connection between a pastor and his church, long hesitated before coming to a decision. * * * * * The frequency of the dismissal of ministers began about the commencement of the present

century." (*Contributions to Eccl. Hist. of Connecticut*, 239). The same was probably true of all our churches. But in 1860, the installed pastors were about equal to the uninstalled, to say nothing of those not in the pastoral work. In 1870 there were 901 installed and 1,269 uninstalled pastors. Of our entire ministry, (3,585), only 28 per cent. were installed. And for 1880, there were reported 872 installed, and 1,540 uninstalled in a total of 3,577. The installed are only 36 + per cent. of the whole number in pastoral work, and 24 + per cent. of our entire ministry.

But we are chiefly concerned with the State of Michigan. We give tables showing the number of pastors installed, the number uninstalled, and the ratio between them, from the earliest date at which the distinction was drawn in our published Minutes.

Year.	Installed.	Uninstalled.	Ratio.	Year.	Installed.	Uninstalled.	Ratio.
1868	9	88	$9\frac{1}{8}$	1875	12	113	$9\frac{5}{16}$
1869	11	85	$7\frac{8}{11}$	1876	12	163	$13\frac{1}{2}$
1870	11	89	$8\frac{1}{11}$	1877	13	172	$13\frac{2}{13}$
1871	11	99	9	1878	14	174	$12\frac{3}{7}$
1872	11	101	$9\frac{2}{11}$	1879	9	189	21
1873	8	109	$13\frac{5}{8}$	1880	7	197	$28\frac{1}{7}$
1874	8	115	$14\frac{3}{8}$				

The highest ratio was in 1869, when there was one installed to $7\frac{8}{11}$ uninstalled pastors. The lowest in 1880, 1 to $28\frac{1}{7}$. The average for the thirteen years is 1 to $12\frac{6}{13}$. This table shows that an inherited usage, enforced by our standard writers and by our platforms, was never flourishing in Michigan, but is now declining.

IV. *The Need of Installation.*—Among the urgent claims put forth for installation are two which deserve attention by our churches:

1. *Installation tends to permanency in the Pastorate.*—It may be that the condition of things which leads to a call to the pastorate is itself a condition of permanency; but apart from that the pastoral relation itself tends to permanency. We cannot here and now give the reasons why it is so.

The whole number of deaths in the Congregational Ministry

for the three years, 1875, 1876, 1877, was 191; the average age of these men was 65 years, 4 months and 19 days; their average length of service was 34 years and 7 months (20 *Cong. Quart* 459). Taking this average as near the truth for a longer period but narrower circle, the average pastorate in this State under the old usage of staying with a people for life, would be about thirty-four years. What is it under a practice of non-installation and change?

We have prepared tables accurate to the fraction of a day, of the tenure of our ministry in Michigan, at three periods, April 1st, 1860, 1870, 1880. We have drawn out the averages, Conference by Conference; but we will give here only the general averages for the whole State. In making these tables (1) we have reckoned each man's service from the day he commenced to the period designated; (2) we have counted a man for each church he served; and (3) we have excluded those whose time began between April 1st of each period and the issuing of the Minutes.

AVERAGE TENURE OF PASTORATES IN WHOLE STATE.

1860,	Pastors,	95;	average	service,	2	years,	5	months,	13	days.
1870,	"	123	"	"	2	"	10	"	21	"
1880,	"	180	"	"	3	"	1	"	4	"
Average of these periods,					2	"	9	"	23	"

INCREASE FROM ONE PERIOD TO ANOTHER.

1860 to 1870,	5	months	and	8	days.
1870 to 1880,	2	"	"	13	"

In 1860 no distinction was noted between the installed and the uninstalled. But for 1870 and 1880, the distinction is marked. For these two periods contrast the tenure of the pastorate between the installed and the uninstalled, the few with the many.

INSTALLED AND UNINSTALLED.

Average for 1870-1880, installed,	9,	3	years,	8	months,	11	days.
“ “ “ uninstalled,	143	2	“	3	“	14	“
Installed over uninstalled,		1	“	4	“	27	“

Omitting similar tables for 1860 and 1870 we subjoin one for 1880 by Conferences.

AVERAGE TENURE OF INSTALLED PASTORS—1880.

Eastern Conference,	3—5	years,	0	months,	18	days.
Southern Michigan Conference,	1—6	"	0	"	0	"
Genesee Conference,	1—0	"	9	"	0	"
Grand Traverse Conference,	1—3	"	7	"	14	"
Lansing Association,	1—5	"	4	"	0	"
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Average,	7—4	"	1	"	24	"

AVERAGE TENURE OF UNINSTALLED PASTORS—1880.

Eastern Conference,	18—2	years,	8	months,	0	days.
Jackson Conference,	13—1	"	7	"	5	"
Marshall Conference,	16—2	"	0	"	19	"
Grand River Conference,	19—2	"	3	"	18	"
Genesee Conference,	23—1	"	4	"	1	"
Southern Michigan Conference,	13—2	"	1	"	4	"
Kalamazoo Conference,	20—1	"	6	"	16	"
Grand Traverse Conference,	9—2	"	5	"	27	"
Western Conference,	10—2	"	0	"	7	"
Northern Central Conference,	10—1	"	10	"	21	"
Cheboygan Conference,	8—1	"	7	"	8	"
Lake Superior Conference,	2—2	"	6	"	0	"
Lansing Conference,	13—2	"	5	"	26	"
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Average,	174—2	"	0	"	15	"

If you take out from the uninstalled the long pastorate of the Rev. William P. Russell, of blessed memory, the average of Eastern Conference, including the installed, is reduced to 11 months and 26 days.

Nothing can reveal more clearly the disastrous changeableness of our ministry than these figures, or emphasize more forcibly whatever may tend to correct the evil.

2. *Installation tends to purity in the Ministry.*—The examination of a minister's credentials by a competent body, as of his beliefs, tends to secure purity, and consequently peace and prosperity.

This is held of such vital importance that the Boston Platform (1865) says, "A due respect to the communion of the

churches requires that no man assuming to be pastor of a church shall be acknowledged as such by other churches, unless, at or after his entrance on the duties of the office, he has been publicly recognized by receiving the righthand of fellowship from neighboring churches through a council convened for that purpose." (51.) This is the utterance, through its committee, of all our churches convened in National Council. Yet in Michigan only 1 in 29 comply with it. Why?

V. *Causes of the Decadence in Installations.*—We cannot account for so general a neglect of an old and universal custom on superficial grounds. Without hinting even at other causes, we confine ourselves to one which touches the core of the matter. We believe that the chief cause lies in the legal element of installation above defined. This element enables a bad or willful minister to refuse to resign, or to join in a mutual council, then, if an *ex parte* council be called, he can carry the case into the civil courts, postpone the case, appeal, and collect his salary all the while. We have seen that the courts hold that an installed pastorate can be legally dissolved only in one of the following ways: (1) By death; (2) by mutual consent; (3) by a mutual council; or (4) by an *ex parte* council. Now, if an installed pastor refuse to die, or to resign, or to join his people in a mutual council, and thus compel them to call an *ex parte* council; and then, if he carry the *ex parte* council into court on some technicality, he may walk out of court twice with his salary, as did Thompson, of Rehoboth, Mass., in 1827. (See Buck's *Mass. Ecc. Law*, 92, 93.) Such cases if not numerous, are noisy, and they disclose to the churches the possibly fearful risks they run in installing their ministers. Several sad cases can be cited in Michigan, whose remembrance warns the churches to avoid installations.

It is needless to say that this legal element was foreign altogether to the thought and practice of the apostles; for no one would affirm it. It was equally foreign to the first churches established in New England. (Palfrey's *Hist. N. E.*, II., 38, 39.) The legal and foreign element came in through the union of church and state; and it remains to bind the churches with cords which the pastors can easily break, but which the churches may find stronger than seven green withes.

This unscriptural legal element is the fundamental cause of

the decadence of installations,—a remnant of the union of church and state in New England, to be left behind.

VI. *Remedy for this decadence in installations.*—No laudation of health was ever known to stay a pestilence, and the past laudation of installation has not stayed the slow decay of the custom. The only thing that will prevent the utter extinction of installation among our churches, is, in our opinion, the speedy and total removal of the legal and foreign element.

There would be left the ecclesiastical element unimpaired. Its bearing on permanency and on purity would abide. Remove the legal element, and installation would have no legal bearing whatever on the tenure of office. In that case the pastorate of the installed could be terminated the same as that of the uninstalled. But when the pastorate is about to terminate for any cause except death, either the pastor or the church, or both united, may call a council as now on whatever ecclesiastical matters may be deemed by them of such importance to the general cause as to warrant such procedure. But such council would have nothing whatever to do with the legal contract. No minister could use such a council to prolong his pastorate for the sake of the salary. Under such an arrangement no Thompson could walk out of court twice with his salary, on some technicality of procedure.

There would also be removed from the dismissing council, should one be called, that delicate, disagreeable, dangerous custom of showing cause why the pastoral relation should or should not be dissolved. Neither party would have, as now, to make a case against the other party, in order to gain his point,—a custom perilous in the extreme to ministerial reputation and to the peace of the church, tempting as it does to crimination and recrimination. There are often plenty of reasons why a pastorate should terminate, without disparagement to either pastor or people, the telling of which in public before the messengers of the churches would be evil and only evil. And even if a pastor be persecuted, it is better for all concerned that he should flee into another city, as the Master enjoined his apostles, than that he should use a council of sister churches either in contending for his place, or in punishing his persecutors.

VII. *Will this remedy restore installation?*—If it will not, nothing will; installations are past recovery. But we believe the

removal of the legal element will cure the evil: for installation thus improved has these points in its favor:

1. *It possesses all the advantages of the old method.*—It, like the old, secures the advice of sister churches in council assembled respecting the credentials and qualifications of each pastor elect. It establishes, also, as does the old, confidence between church and church, and between the neighboring churches and the new pastor. It tends, moreover, to the peace, fellowship and unity of the churches, and whatever other advantages have been credited to installation. And the question of the continuance of the pastoral relation would not arise under the improved method more frequently than under the old. A minister so installed, would be a pastor as now, not a stated supply resting his continuance in the office, not on the difficulty of dissolving the relation, but on his fidelity; not on the legal element of installation, but on the Christian element of service, which is far better.

2. *The improved method shows the evils of the old.*—Under it no case need be made against the character or ability of a minister to get rid of him. A note to terminate the contract, or not to renew it, will dismiss him. The struggles and agonies of death need not to be gone through with at every severance of the pastoral relation.

No pastor then could force the continuance of his services upon an unwilling people. Our churches are free, and will be in bondage to no one, not even to a pastor. Our method conserves liberty.

Under the improved method no council would have to go through the solemn farce of hearing reasons for advising a thing to be done which has been done already,—as hearing reasons why a pastor should be dismissed whose resignation has been accepted and the act completed.

3. *Credentials can be given as now.*—By doing away with the legal element, we do not do away with dismissing councils where needed. "The communion of the churches," says the *Boston Platform*, "requires that no minister dismissed from his charge shall be regarded as having sufficient credentials of his good standing unless he is duly commended by a council convened on occasion of his dismissal." (52). Yet in the face of this and similar ut

terances, our churches are more and more discarding both installing and dismissing councils, and a minister's standing has been transferred to local conferences of churches or to ministerial associations. And it must be confessed, all theories aside, that these bodies better represent the fellowship of the churches than do occasional councils; since a known, stated, and responsible body has greater value than an occasional, unknown, possibly packed, dissolved, and therefore irresponsible body. If our proposed improvement should do away with dismissing councils, the result in Michigan could be hardly worse than the present condition; but our method permits dismissing councils, and requires them in case the fellowship of the churches would be furthered by them.

4. *This proposed improvement puts our churches in line with others congregationally governed.*—If we mistake not all Baptist churches in all lands, the Disciples, the Congregationalists of England, Canada, Australia, Madagascar, and other lands, and all other bodies congregationally governed, save those which have their root in New England Congregationalism, discard the legal element in their recognitions or installations. If we cast out the element born of the union of Church and State we shall fall into line with them, and into a better method. We say better—for our Home Missionary Society and the American Missionary Association could employ it in the settlement of their missionaries, to the great advantage of churches and pastors. But the present method of installation for life with its legal bonds neither society can employ.

5. *The proposed method will restore installation.*—In reply to inquiries, Rev. John Wood, of Ottawa, Ont., former editor of the *Canadian Independent*, and present Secretary of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, says "that recognition services, of some kind or other, are held in nine cases out of ten,—perhaps in even a greater proportion of instances." "Our councils are probably less formal than with you." "Pastors and churches generally terminate their relationship without calling in any to advise with them. A council in such a case is rare." Remove the legal element which is alien to our polity as a logical system, and all the cogent reasons for installations will have full play. We shall have a method of recognition which our Societies can use, whenever they send or locate a minister; and these influences will in time restore installation in its modified but normal form.

We put this proposed improvement in installation into a tangible form, which we submit for the careful consideration of the churches, and their adoption, namely:

The General Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of Michigan, believing that the formal induction of pastors into office with the advice of neighboring churches, in a council duly called for the purpose, is promotive of the highest interests both of pastors and of people; and wishing to remove every hinderance thereto which may lie in the hearing of former installations on the legal tenure of the pastoral relation, most earnestly commends the following process of recognition or installation to the adoption of the churches connected with this body, namely:

1. Whenever a minister accepts a call as pastor to any church a mutual council of neighboring churches of our order should at once be called to induct him into office, after the manner of former councils of installation; except that said council shall have no bearing on the legal tenure of the pastoral relation.

2. When such a pastorate is about to terminate for any cause except death, the pastor and church, or either of them in case the other refuses, may call a council of neighboring churches to inquire into and advise upon all ecclesiastical matters specified in the letters missive convening it; but no council shall in any case be necessary to the legal termination of the pastoral relation.

This General Association would furthermore declare that in its opinion the foregoing process should be held to be adopted by the churches and to apply to all future installations, except in the case of churches which in calling installing councils shall expressly specify to the contrary in their letters missive.

E.

The Constitution and Rules.

PREAMBLE.

Believing that the principles of the Congregational system of church government are plainly taught in the Scriptures; and believing that system to be better adapted than any other to promote the welfare of the Christian Church; and believing, moreover, that the extension and efficiency of the system would be greatly promoted by organizing a General Association of the Congregational ministers and churches of Michigan; we, therefore, to form such an Association adopt the following

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Ecclesiastical Organization shall be called the General Association of the Congregational Churches and Ministers of Michigan.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

This Association declaring that it will exercise no ecclesiastical control or authority over the ministers and churches belonging to it, assume for its object to promote Christian fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate information relative to the churches throughout the State, our country, and the world; and by prayers, counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERS.

Any minister who is a member—made such by vote—in regular standing in any local Conference or Association in this State, which assents to the Constitution of this General Association, is a member of this body, and being present shall be entitled to a seat therein; and every church regularly connected with any such local Conference or Association shall be entitled to a representation in this body by a delegate chosen for that purpose, and a quorum or larger number of such ministers and delegates, together with those made members *ex officio* by the Rules, assembled according to Article V, shall constitute the General Association of Michigan.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Scribe, elected annually by ballot, and Assistant Scribe, chosen *viva voce* at each meeting, and a Secretary elected triennially by ballot, who shall be treasurer of the Association. The duties of these officers shall be as indicated by the designation of their office.

ARTICLE V.—MEETING.

The annual meeting of this Association shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Wednesday of May, at 7:30 P. M., and not to stand adjourned until after an evening service on the following Sabbath. If any exigency shall arise which, in the unanimous opinion of the Moderator, Secretary and Scribe, requires an extra meeting of this body, or a change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such extra meeting, or to make such a change upon giving adequate notice.

ARTICLE VI.—QUORUM.

A number of members equal to one fifth of the number of churches entitled to representation shall be a quorum for the transaction of business; but at the time and place of meeting a smaller number may organize the body.

ARTICLE VII.—STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. At each meeting of the Association there shall be chosen a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall retire each year in the order of their election, and three shall be chosen annually, one of whom shall be the minister of the church with which the Association votes next to meet; this committee shall cause to be offered to the Association such papers on doctrine, duty and polity, and to present such topics for discussion as they deem expedient; they shall nominate, and report to this body a preacher and alternate for the next meeting of the Association, make arrangements for all the missionary and other public meetings to be held by the Association, and prepare the order of business for each session, placing a docket of the same in the hands of the Moderator; and no business shall be introduced without their consent, except by a vote of the body upon appeal.

2. There shall be a Nominating Committee of six, to be nominated in open Association, and to be chosen by ballot, two of whom shall each year retire in the order of their election, and two be elected annually by ballot, whose duty shall be to make all nominations of committees not otherwise provided for. This committee shall elect its own Chairman and Scribe, and shall keep a record of all nominations confirmed by the Association.

3. A Committee on the Narrative, consisting of three, of whom the Secretary shall be one, shall be chosen annually for the ensuing year, to whom the Scribe of each local Conference or Association shall send a written narrative of the state of religion within its bounds as soon as possible after its meeting next preceding the annual meeting of this body, which this committee shall form into a general narrative, to be presented to this body, and, if approved, to be published in the Minutes.

4. An Obituary Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall make fit report to this Association of the death of those ministers who at their decease were, or long had been, members of the body.

ARTICLE VIII.—CONFESSION.

WE BELIEVE:

1. In the One Supreme God, the Creator, Preserver, Sovereign Ruler, and Final Judge of all; in the Trinity of the Godhead; and in the Infinite perfections of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. In the full inspiration and authority of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as the revealed will of God and our rule of faith and practice.
3. In the apostacy and depravity of our race, and in their consequent need of regeneration and sanctification by the Spirit and truth of God.
4. In the incarnation of God in the person of Jesus Christ, the Supreme Head of the Church, our Prophet, Priest and King; and in his atonement as the only ground of man's salvation, and as sufficient for all.
5. In the eternal purpose of God; and in the substantial and conscious freedom of man.
6. In the election of true believers; and in their perseverance through faith unto salvation.
7. In keeping the Lord's day as the Christian Sabbath; in baptising believers and their children; and in observing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
8. In the resurrection of the dead; in the final judgment; in the eternal life of the righteous; and in the eternal punishment of the wicked.

ARTICLE IX.—NATIONAL COUNCIL.

This Association, appreciating the fellowship of the churches, and the need of comprehensive plans for advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom, will be represented by delegates in the National Council.

ARTICLE X.—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the intended change or amendment shall have been proposed in substance at the previous meeting.

RULES.

1. ORGANIZATION.—The annual meeting shall be opened with a sermon, after which the Moderator, or in his absence the Secretary, or the minister of the church with which the Association meets, shall call the members to order, and shall preside till the body is organized by the election of a Moderator and Scribe, a majority of the votes cast being necessary to such election.

2. On the first evening of the meeting the Secretary shall circulate cards, on which the members and corresponding members shall write their names and titles, together with the name of their church, local Conference, Association, or Corresponding Body, and from these cards he shall make out a roll to be reported early the next day.

3. Only the Business Committee shall propose the names of honorary members.

4. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS.—Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer. The Minutes shall be read for correction on the morning of each day, and shall be approved at the close of the meeting.

5. The usages of like deliberative bodies shall be observed in defining the duties of officers and in the conduct of business.

6. When a motion is under debate no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, division of the question, yeas and nays, or the previous question, viz: *Shall the main question now be put?* and these motions, except for amendment, shall not be debated.

7. In debate no member, without leave of the body, shall speak more than ten minutes, nor more than once while others wish to occupy the floor. The time to be occupied by addresses of corresponding members and members of benevolent societies shall be determined by the Business Committee.

8. DUTIES OF LOCAL BODIES.—Each local Conference or Association shall furnish to the Secretary of this body, through its Scribe or committee, according to the schedule, its statistics, as they were on the last day of March next preceding the annual meeting of this Association.

9. It shall be the duty of each local Conference or Association to pay, through its Scribe, to the Treasurer of this Association at its annual meeting, whatever money may remain due from that body, whether the same shall have been collected or not.

10. DUTIES OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give due notice through the newspapers of the time and place of each meeting; to furnish the Scribes of local Conferences or Associations with schedules for statistical reports; to publish the Minutes, statistical reports, and such other documents as the Association shall direct.

11. He shall have charge of all moneys belonging to the Association, and shall disburse the same as this body shall direct. He shall annually report the condition of the Treasury, and shall give an estimate of the expenses for the ensuing year.

12. COMMITTEES.—A Financial Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall audit the Treasurer's account and apportion the expenses of this Association to the local Conferences or Associations, according to their number of church members respectively.

13. Members of committees holding over from year to year, shall be *ex officio* members of the Association during their term of office.

14. CORRESPONDENCE.—Any member of this Association, if present at the meeting of any corresponding body, shall be authorized to represent the Association therein. For his certificate this rule shall be sufficient; and he may report to this body at its next annual meeting.

15. DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.—At each meeting of this Association previous to a National Council, and on the third day of the meeting, Delegates and Alternates, half of each to be laymen, shall be chosen by ballot to represent the churches of this State in the next National Council.

16. SUSPENSION OF RULES.—Any of these Rules, except the Seventeenth, may be suspended for the time being by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

17. AMENDMENT OF RULES.—Any motion to alter, establish, or annul permanently any rule of this body, shall be read on two different days and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be: *Shall it be read a second time?*

F.

OUR PLAN OF CONDUCTING HOME
MISSIONS.

1. This Association shall appoint annually, and on the second day of the meeting, a Board of Directors for Home Missions, to consist of the State Superintendent of Missions, and one from the Missionary Committee of each local Conference or Association of Churches, and four lay members chosen from the churches of the State at large.

2. This Board of Directors shall nominate to this Association, and the Association shall appoint, an Executive Committee of seven, who may be members of the Board, of which the State Superintendent of Missions shall be one, to hold office three years, the term of office to be so arranged that two members other than said Superintendent shall be appointed each year.

3. The Board of Directors shall have charge of the apportionment to each local Conference or Association of Churches of its proper share of the Home Missionary funds to be expended in the State, and also of raising the funds to be contributed by the churches for Home Missions.

4. The duties of the Executive Committee shall be to receive and pass upon all applications for aid, after the same shall have been approved by the proper local Conference or Associational Committee. They shall also have charge of all matters affecting the Home Missionary interests of the State during the intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors.

5. The Board of Directors shall hold their annual meeting during the annual meeting of the General Association, and other meetings whenever necessary. The Executive Committee shall determine its own time and place of meeting.

6. Any vacancy in the Board of Directors shall be filled by the proper local committee. The Executive Committee shall fill vacancies in its own membership, occurring during the interval between the meetings of the Board of Directors.

Statistics of the Churches.

From March 31st, 1880, to April 1st, 1881.

N. B.—The names of Ministers connected with the General Association, with their post-office address, will be found on the last two pages, corrected to April 1, 1881.

The letters "Ins." opposite the names of Ministers indicate they have been installed. A blank, by direction of the General Association, is left opposite the rest.

I.—EASTERN CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.		REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.		
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Total.		Adults.	Infants.
Almont.....	Dec. 6, 1838	F. W. Dickinson.....	.....	May 1, 1880	38	85	123	0	2	4	6	2	0	0	2	0	0	107
Armadia.....	Sept. 22, 1838	*H. N. Bissell.....	.....	April 1, 1881	35	67	102	29	2	2	4	4	6	0	10	0	0	0
Bruce.....	July 31, 1833	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chesterfield.....	Feb. 13, 1847	.....	.....	.....	16	31	47	2	2	0	2	0	3	0	5	2	0	0
Columbus.....	Sept. 29, 1851	Ward I. Hunt.....	.....	Aug. 1879	42	55	97	26	0	0	0	0	5	1	6	0	1	80
Detroit, 1st.....	Dec. 25, 1844	Zachary Eddy, D. D.....	Ins.....	Oct. 10, 1873	164	328	492	56	10	16	26	10	27	13	50	4	9	1040
Detroit, 2d.....	April 3, 1866	Moses Smith.....	.....	Oct. 5, 1879	100	179	279	69	13	27	40	3	11	11	25	5	6	240
Fiat Rock.....	Mar. 20, 1858	Samuel D. Breed.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1880	16	32	48	15	1	0	1	1	3	0	4	1	0	80
Hunter's Creek.....	May 3, 1880	M. A. Bullock.....	.....	May 1, 1880	5	7	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imlay City.....	Sept. 3, 1872	A. O. Cossar.....	.....	Sept. 7, 1880	19	50	69	11	1	0	1	1	7	3	11	0	0	100
Lexington.....	Sept. 18, 1866	William Woodmansee.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1878	6	12	18	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
Memphis.....	June 24, 1840	Lemuel B. Bissell.....	.....	July 1, 1880	39	90	129	43	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	1	125
Metamora.....	Mar. 26, 1878	M. A. Bullock.....	.....	Sept. 15, 1878	20	33	53	2	2	6	8	1	2	0	3	1	0	80
Nankin and Livonia.....	Apr. 2, 1871	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Baltimore.....	April 29, 1856	†Marcus S. Angell.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1879	11	23	34	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	120
New Haven.....	Oct. 20, 1868	Robert Parsons.....	.....	Mar. 6, 1881	17	28	45	6	0	2	2	1	4	0	5	0	0	0
Oakwood.....	May 20, 1848	‡J. Monroe Lyon.....	.....	April 24, 1881	16	36	52	5	0	0	0	0	4	1	6	0	0	52
Orion.....	Jan. 18, 1833	Joseph St. John.....	.....	Sept. 17, 1878	21	28	49	4	15	1	16	1	2	0	3	7	11	57
Oxford.....	Feb. 27, 1877	N. D. Glidden.....	.....	July 18, 1880	17	34	51	23	0	0	0	0	4	0	5	0	0	35
Pontiac.....	Feb. 6, 1831	Edward A. Berry.....	.....	Mar. 7, 1880	72	155	227	44	6	10	16	1	14	1	16	3	1	100
Port Huron.....	May 17, 1840	A. Hastings Ross.....	.....	June 1, 1876	113	172	285	27	6	10	16	2	2	13	17	0	6	274
Port Sanilac.....	Sept. 2, 1864	Wm. Woodmansee.....	Ins.....	Sept. 1, 1878	27	11	38	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	125
Ray.....	Feb. 13, 1838	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Richmond.....	July 27, 1872	Ebenezer Ireland.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1879	19	40	59	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	70
Rockester.....	July 1, 1827	Wm. C. Calland.....	.....	Aug. 28, 1880	31	85	116	4	0	5	5	1	3	0	4	0	2	130
Romeo.....	Aug. 16, 1828	.....	.....	.....	95	143	238	44	0	1	1	1	8	0	9	0	0	150
Royal Oak.....	Aug. 13, 1842	Robert Hovenden.....	.....	June 5, 1879	18	40	58	17	0	2	2	2	1	3	5	0	0	55
St. Clair.....	Feb. 10, 1841	.....	.....	.....	25	71	96	10	3	9	12	2	4	1	6	0	4	120
St. Clair.....	June 11, 1855	†Malon H. Wright.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1881	23	63	86	20	0	4	4	2	2	0	4	0	0	79
Utica.....	Aug. 20, 1848	David C. McNair.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1880	94	174	268	61	19	1	20	2	2	0	7	9	1	200
Wayne.....	Oct. 11, 1878	R. M. Burgess.....	.....	Sept. 5, 1878	6	11	17	2	3	1	4	0	1	0	1	1	5	76
White Rock.....																		
Total.....	31				1105	2083	3188	536	88	105	193	43	118	51	212	34	47	3552

*Presbytery of Detroit. †Unassociated. ‡Of the Genesee Conference.
 Meetings of Conference—First Tuesday in May, and second Tuesday in November. Rev. M. A. Bullock, Registrar.

EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Formed May 12, 1840.

Scribe, REV. P. R. HURD, D. D.

Meetings:—Second Tuesday in October and February.

MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Simeon O. Allen,	December 1, 1870.	Editor,	New York.
Robert G. Baird,	February 11th, 1859,	Sec. Ag. Col.,	Lansing.
John A. Baldwin,	October 14, 1875.	Without Charge,	Detroit.
Daniel Berney,	February 21st, 1836,	Without Charge,	Port Sanilac
Edward A. Berry,	September 4th, 1870.	Minister,	Pontiac.
Lemuel B. Bissell,	September 21, 1880.	Minister,	Memphis.
Park A. C. Bradford,	July 30, 1879.	Sec Business,	St. Clair.
Samuel D. Breede,	February, 1862.	Minister,	Ypsilanti.
Anselm B. Brown,	June 20, 1873.	Teacher,	Detroit.
Motier A. Bullock,	October 19, 1876	Minister,	Metamora.
Richard M. Burgess,	Dec. 23; 1875,	Minister,	White Rock.
William C. Calland,	Dec. 7, 1880.	Minister,	Rochester.
Andrew O. Cossar,	Aug. 15, 1876.	Minister,	Inlay City.
F. W. Dickinson,	June 17, 1868.	Minister,	Almont.
Zachary Eddy, D. D.	March, 16, 1835.	Minister,	Detroit.
Minor W. Fairfield,	October, 1847.	Minister,	Muskegon.
N. Dimic Glidden,	April 9, 1859,	Minister,	Oxford.
George H. Grannis,	November 1, 1876	Minister.	Oberlin.
Nelson Green	May 2, 1858.	Without Charge,	Detroit.
Robert Hovenden,	November 21, 1860.	Minister,	Vicksburg.
Ward I. Hunt,	June 4, 1854.	Minister,	Columbus.
Philo R. Hurd, D. D.,	July 1, 1840.	Without Charge,	Detroit.
Ebenezer Ireland,	October 13, 1870.	Minister,	Richmond.
Thomas Jones,	September 6, 1837.	Without Charge,	Detroit.
Harvey D. Kitchell, D. D.,	—, 1839.	Without Charge,	Milwaukee, Wis.
James D. Liggett,	Dec. 18, 1859.	Without Charge,	Detroit.
David C. McNair,	Oct. 30, 1879.	Minister,	Wayne.
Robert Parsons,	May 10, 1854	Minister,	Flat Rock.
Samuel Phillips,	February 13, 1838.	Without Charge,	Disco.
A. Hastings Ross,	October, 17, 1861.	Minister,	Port Huron.
Joseph St. John,	August 24, 1877.	Minister,	Orion.
Moses Smith,	September 21, 1853.	Minister,	Detroit.
Oren C. Thompson,	November, 1834.	Without Charge,	Detroit.
William P. Wastell,	January, 1832.	Retired,	Clinton.
Wm. Woodmansee,	December 10, 1871.	Minister,	Port Sanilac.

II.—JACKSON CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.		REMOVALS.				BAPT.		Whole No. in Sunday School.		
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed	Excom.	Total.		Adults.	Infants.
Ann Arbor.....	Mar. 23, 1847	William H. Ryder.....	.....	May, 1877	102	148	250	30	8	22	30	3	23	1	27	6	1	200
Augusta.....	April 18, 1854	†W. H. Blair.....	.....	July 1, 1879	28	32	60	15	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	2	60
Chelsea.....	Feb. 21, 1849	Thomas Holmes, D. D.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1877	47	96	143	11	2	1	3	3	3	6	12	1	0	200
Grass Lake.....	Dec. 16, 1835	John Patchin.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1879	31	71	102	0	0	5	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	100
Hamburg.....	Jan. 17, 1878	K. H. Crane.....	.....	.....	*7	18	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson, Ist.....	Mar. 6, 1841	J. W. Hough, D. D.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1879	128	309	437	37	9	29	38	9	26	9	44	5	5	315
Leslie.....	Apr. 2, 1865	James Watts.....	.....	Oct. 15, 1880	20	61	81	8	2	3	5	2	4	0	6	0	0	85
Michigan Centre.....	Mar. 9, 1869	John Patchin.....	.....	May 9, 1880	4	13	17	2	0	1	1	0	4	0	4	0	0	50
Napoleon.....	May 25, 1855	.....	.....	.....	*5	17	22	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Leoni.....	Jan. 4, 1877	John Patchin.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1880	*8	10	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pinckney.....	June 26, 1848	Kendrick H. Crane.....	.....	Apr. 1, 1880	12	39	51	3	9	2	11	1	4	0	5	0	0	94
Salem.....	Nov. 2, 1867	†Mills B. Gelston.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1879	17	21	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Sandstone.....	Mar. 4, 1869	†Joseph Swindt.....	.....	.....	22	39	61	18	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	4	0	80
Summit.....	Oct. 15, 1851	†James Vincent.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1880	38	63	101	31	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	1	90
Union City.....	Mar. 7, 1839	H. H. Van Auker.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1878	89	166	255	35	0	0	0	5	7	0	12	0	0	220
Webster.....	Feb. 26, 1860	W. C. Allen.....	.....	Aug. 1, 1878	30	44	74	12	1	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	0	108
Total.....	16				588	1147	1735	202	39	65	104	27	78	16	121	17	9	1662

*Last year's report. †Of the Detroit Presbytery. ‡Of the Lansing Presbytery. §Not associated.

JACKSON ASSOCIATION.

Formed May 1, 1866.

Scribe, REV. WM. C. ALLEN.

Meetings :—Third Tuesday in April and October at 1½ P. M.

MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Wm C. Allen,	June 11, 1873.	Minister,	Delhi Mills.
Alvin H. Brown,	March 20, 1864.	Sec. Business,	Jackson.
Truman D. Childs,	May 21, 1873.	Minister,	Anthony, Ks.
Kendrick H. Crane,	March 4, 1874.	Minister,	Pinckney.
Thomas Holmes, D. D.,	November 3, 1844.	Minister,	Chelsea.
Jesse W. Hough, D. D.,	March 13, 1859.	Minister,	Jackson.
Wm. Mulder,	June 5th, 1867.	Minister,	Victor.
John Patchin,	July 25, 1850.	Minister,	Grass Lake.
John D. Pierce,		Retired,	Ypsilanti.
William G. Roberts,	September 10, 1872,	Student,	Yale Theo. Seminary.
William H. Ryder,	December 14, 1869.	Minister,	Ann Arbor.
James Watts,	September 6th, 1857.	Minister,	Leslie.
H. H. Van Auken,	December 8, 1864.	Minister,	Union City.

III.—MARSHALL CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.			NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPT.		Whole No. in Sunday School.
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Bedford.....	June 10, 1848	*J. E. Bruce.....	.....	Feb. 13, 1881	30	62	92	22	3	7	10	2	0	0	2	3	0	70
Bronson.....	May 7, 1868	John R. Bonney.....	.....	May 7, 1868	21	53	74	23	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	75
Ceresco.....	May 5, 1869	†Thomas H. Delamater	.....	April, 1881	10	14	24	6	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	100
Charlotte.....	Jan. 26, 1851	J. Newton Brown.....	.....	Aug. 25, 1878	75	183	258	20	39	14	53	7	8	0	15	25	0	375
Chester.....	April 29, 1879	O. E. Murray.....	.....	Feb. 22, 1880	19	28	47	0	34	3	37	0	1	0	1	14	2	112
East Johnstown.....	Mar. 6, 1865	Fred. C. Wood.....	.....	Oct. 3, 1880	7	24	31	3	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	55
Eaton Rapids.....	June 15, 1843	D. Payson Breede.....	.....	May 9, 1880	34	66	100	3	4	3	7	2	0	0	0	3	0	65
Fredonia.....	April 26, 1863	A. N. McConoughey.....	.....	Apr. 11, 1881	53	88	141	40	3	1	4	1	0	0	0	3	0	80
Johnstown and Barry.....	Nov. 30, 1865	Fret. C. Wood.....	.....	Nov. 14, 1880	9	13	22	8	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	40
Kalamo.....	Mar. 10, 1867	Cornelius S. Cady.....	.....	Nov. 21, 1880	17	43	60	16	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	60
Leroy.....	Mar. 14, 1837	†F. W. Bush.....	.....	.....	37	38	75	11	0	5	5	3	4	0	7	0	0	75
Marshall.....	June 20, 1869	Thomas H. Delamater.....	.....	.....	18	24	42	0	1	4	5	0	2	0	2	0	0	50
North Johnstown.....	May 15, 1878	Fred. C. Wood.....	.....	April 10, 1881	3	7	10	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
Olivet.....	Mar. 20, 1845	{ H. Q. Butterfield, D. D. H. M. Goodwin, D. D. Joseph L. Daniels. (Joseph Estabrook.....	.....	{ Sept. 20, 1876 Oct. 1, 1875 Oct. 1, 1880 Oct. 1, 1880	130	160	290	83	6	18	24	4	14	0	18	1	0	175
Onondaga.....	Oct. 6, 1877	.....	.....	.....	4	7	11	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
Pottersville.....	June 1, 1872	O. E. Murray.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1879	16	31	47	10	0	2	2	0	3	1	4	0	0	100
Vermontville.....	Feb. 28, 1838	Horace R. Williams.....	.....	May 26, 1880	74	139	213	31	2	6	8	2	7	0	9	0	0	162
Walton.....	April 26, 1877	Charles Spooner.....	.....	Apr. 26, 1877	10	13	23	3	1	0	1	0	0	4	4	1	0	20
Total.....	18				567	993	1560	283	102	70	172	22	47	7	82	50	2	1686

*No relation. †Of the Presbytery of Erie, Penn. ‡Of the Kalamazoo Association.

MARSHALL CONFERENCE.

Formed August 18, 1847.

Scribe, REV. J. N. BROWN

Meetings:—On the last Wednesday in April and October.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Walter M. Barrows,	November 1, 1872,	Sec. A. H. M. S	New York City.
John R. Bonney,	January 18, 1863,	Minister,	Bronson.
D. Payson Breede,	January 1 st , 1873,	Minister,	Eaton Rapids.
J. Newton Brown,	October 23, 1870.	Minister.	Charlotte.
Horatio Q. Butterfield, D D.	October 5, 1854.	President,	Olivet.
Cornelius S. Cady,	September 2, 1845,	Minister,	Kalamo.
Joseph L. Daniels,	April 27, 1876,	Professor,	Olivet.
Joseph Estabrook,	October, 1852,	Professor,	Olivet.
H. M. Goodwin, D. D.,	February 1851,	Professor,	Olivet.
Augustine J. Hibbard,	December, 1855,	Minister,	South Coventry, Conn
Oramel Hosford,	February 24, 1858,	Professor,	Olivet.
William A. James,	—, 1867,	Minister,	Minneapolis, Minn.
Henry C. Morse,		Farmer,	Union City.
O. E. Murray,	September 11, 1878,	Minister,	Olivet.
S. R. Roseborough,	—, 1849,	Minister,	Grey's Mills, Pa.
Charles Spooner,	September 18, 1837,	Minister,	Olivet.
James Verney,	October 7, 1868, †	Minister,	Perry.
Wolcott B. Williams,	February 2, 1854,	Agt. Olivet Col.,	Charlotte.
Fred C. Wood.	March 22nd, 1881,	Minister,	Battle Creek.

IV.—GRAND RIVER CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.			NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.	
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'g.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismiss'd.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.		
Ada, 1st.....	Sept. 28, 1849	Austin H. Norris.....	May 23, 1880	16	38	54	9	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Ada, 2d.....	Dec. 15, 1875	Austin H. Norris.....	May 23, 1880	9	12	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Allendale.....	Sept. 1, 1871	.....	.....	.....	24	26	50	10	2	5	5	1	2	0	3	0	2	75
Alpine and Walker.....	Jan. 2, 1869	L. F. Waldo.....	.....	May 1, 1881	14	34	48	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	80
Bradley.....	Nov. 20, 1879	Geo. Candee.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1879	14	18	32	3	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0	40
Cannon.....	June 6, 1846	.....	.....	.....	15	16	31	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	60
Cannonsburg.....	Mch. 27, 1875	.....	.....	.....	9	18	27	6	4	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	75
Cedar Springs.....	May 9, 1874	.....	.....	.....	16	30	46	15	3	3	6	1	7	0	7	0	0	68
Dorr.....	Aug 27, 1857	*Albert Lee.....	.....	Apr. 25, 1880	47	62	109	0	1	0	1	2	1	2	5	0	0	150
Dorr Village.....	Nov. 11, 1875	N. K. Everts.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1881	11	16	27	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	30
East Irving.....	Mar. 27, 1877	Ira B. Jones.....	.....	Apr. 1, 1877	6	7	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastmanville.....	Mar. 9, 1866	Darius Betties.....	.....	Apr. 15, 1880	14	14	28	4	2	3	5	1	3	0	4	0	0	60
East Wayland.....	June 3, 1880	.....	.....	.....	5	7	12	2	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Freeport.....	May 2, 1877	Ira B. Jones.....	.....	Apr. 1, 1877	7	18	25	5	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Grand Rapids, 1st.....	Sept. 13, 1836	J. Morgan Smith.....	.....	Sept. 10, 1863	203	440	643	150	2	10	12	4	11	0	15	1	0	350
Grand Rapids, 2d.....	Mar. 22, 1870	Henry Uiterwyck.....	.....	Mar. 24, 1880	25	66	91	25	0	8	8	0	3	0	3	0	0	168
Grand Rapids, South.....	Dec. 12, 1878	Ben F. Sargent.....	Ins.....	Jan. 1, 1880	21	60	81	10	15	14	29	1	0	0	1	8	6	275	
Grandville.....	June 1, 1839	Edwin Booth.....	.....	May 1, 1877	9	25	34	4	0	10	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	50
Hudsonville.....	Feb. 11, 1877	Edwin Booth.....	.....	Feb. 15, 1877	15	15	30	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	60
Irving.....	June 4, 1877	W. S. Bugbey.....	.....	Oct. 27, 1878	6	26	32	5	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	0	45
Lamont.....	Dec. 18, 1849	.....	.....	.....	15	27	42	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55
Lowell.....	Feb. 13, 1856	.....	.....	.....	14	46	60	12	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	30
Middleville.....	Apr. 5, 1846	W. S. Bugbey.....	.....	Oct. 27, 1878	23	47	70	8	2	5	7	1	0	2	3	1	1	100
Paris.....	May 2, 1860	N. K. Everts.....	.....	Dec. 20, 1879	9	15	24	5	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Rockford.....	Feb. 23, 1847	W. E. Caldwell.....	.....	Sept. 12, 1880	12	34	46	10	1	9	10	1	10	1	12	0	0	150
Sand Lake.....	Feb. 8, 1880	.....	.....	.....	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	95
Sebewa.....	Dec. 20, 1870	.....	.....	.....	1	8	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stanton.....	Mar. 4, 1874	†W. H. Utley.....	.....	July 1, 1879	36	57	93	31	7	6	13	0	2	0	2	0	0	150
Wayland.....	Jan. 5, 1860	T. McCracken.....	.....	.....	21	33	54	0	19	5	24	0	0	0	0	10	0	50
Total.....	29				621	1220	1841	336	73	88	161	16	58	9	83	24	11	2461	

*Of the Black River and St. Lawrence Association and St. Lawrence Association for immoral and unchristian conduct. †Licentiate.

GRAND RIVER CONFERENCE.

Formed January 8, 1846.

Scribe, REV. EDWIN BOOTH.

Meetings :—On the second Tuesday in April and October

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Darius Bettes,	June 10, 1848.	Minister,	Eastmanville.
Edwin Booth,	February 13, 1866,	Minister,	Grandville.
W. S. Bugbey,	October 22, 1875.	Minister,	Middleville.
John J. Bunnell,	October 1, 1860.	Minister,	Williamston.
Wm. E. Caldwell,	December 22, 1872.	Minister,	Rockford.
Wm. H. Cairnduff,	June 7, 1874.	Minister,	Frankfort.
Geo. Candee,	Nov. 4, 1862.	Minister,	Bradley.
Charles Doolittle,	June 1, 1832.	Retired,	Grand Rapids.
Danforth L. Eaton,	March 1, 1848.	Without Charge,	Lowell.
Nathaniel K. Evarts,	February, 1850.	Minister,	Dorr.
D. W. Francis,	August 30, 1878.	Minister.	Mazon, Ill.
H. M. Holiday,	March 6, 1866.	Minister,	Fruitport.
Ira B. Jones,	September 21, 1860.	Minister,	Freeport.
John L. Maile,	July 6, 1872.	Without Charge.	Portland.
James A. McKay,	October 10, 1844.	Minister,	Saranac.
B. More,	Nov. 4, 1857.	Without Charge,	Middleville.
Austin H. Norris,	Dec. 22, 1872.	Minister,	Ada.
Norman L. Otis,	September 18, 1859.	Minister,	Crystal.
George A. Pollard,	September, 26, 1855.	Without Charge,	Grand Rapids.
Ben F. Sargent,	June 22, 1877.	Minister,	Grand Rapids.
J. Morgan Smith,	August 1, 1860	Minister,	Grand Rapids.
R. Taylor,	June 21, 1878.	Without Charge,	—, Eng.
Henry Uiterwyck,	Oct. 28, 1866.	Minister,	Grand Rapids.
Levi F. Waldo,	July 9, 1844.	Minister,	Grand Rapids.
Jesse A. S. Worden,	September 26, 1867.	Minister,	Ionia.

V.—GENESEE CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			% REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.	
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismiss'd	Excom.	Total	Adults.		Infants.
Alma.....	Aug. 3, 1871	*Ansel W. Westgate.....	.....	Sept. 21, 1879	11	21	32	5	3	1	4	0	5	1	6	0	0	0
Alpena.....	Mar. 2, 1862	†James Verney.....	.....	May 9, 1880	91	148	239	0	2	5	7	1	1	0	2	0	0	239
Bancroft.....	June 30, 1880	†William W. Lyle.....	.....	Jan. 2, 1881	4	5	9	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	47
Bay City.....	July 25, 1875	W. D. King.....	Ins.	June 1, 1880	43	75	118	32	1	13	14	3	3	0	6	0	2	197
Bridgeport.....	Jan. 11, 1868	Miles E. Bacon.....	.....	June 1, 1880	8	18	26	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	70
East Fulton.....	July 11, 1866	Warren F. Day.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1880	10	21	31	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	80
East Saginaw.....	Oct. 7, 1857	Henry L. Hutchins.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1877	100	259	359	45	12	8	20	7	7	0	14	6	2	300
East Tawas.....	Nov. 5, 1876	John B. Dawson.....	.....	Feb. 22, 1880	51	58	109	35	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4	85
Essexville.....	April 24, 1879	Fredk S. Hayden.....	.....	April 1, 1879	7	18	25	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	80
Flint.....	Oct. 26, 1867	**James H. Haliday.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1878	45	147	192	23	3	3	6	2	3	0	7	2	10	215
Genesee.....	April 21, 1857	J. Monroe Lyon.....	Ins.	June, 1879	11	27	38	0	8	0	8	1	0	0	1	5	5	50
Goodrich.....	Feb. 28, 1855	Alfred T. Waterman.....	.....	July 1, 1879	12	27	39	6	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Grand Blanc.....	July 13, 1833	Frank L. Bristol.....	.....	April 1, 1878	19	43	62	0	3	0	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	88
Harland Center.....	April 4, 1844	Fayette Hurd.....	.....	June 6, 1880	26	37	63	19	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	30
Ithaca.....	June 7, 1866	John B. Dawson.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1879	15	26	41	8	4	5	9	0	2	1	3	6	0	80
Laingsburg.....	Aug. 7, 1864	.....	.....	June, 1879	20	40	60	12	1	2	2	1	2	1	4	0	0	100
Maple Rapids.....	April 26, 1868	.....	.....	June, 1879	37	48	85	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	10	0	65
Munger.....	June 15, 1879	John B. Dawson.....	.....	June, 1879	6	8	14	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	65
Ovid.....	Mar. 3, 1871	†J. T. Husted.....	.....	April 17, 1881	18	49	67	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Owosso.....	June 11, 1853	Lester B. Platt.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1880	55	138	193	8	0	8	8	3	3	0	6	0	0	280
Perry.....	Nov. 6, 1879	James Verney.....	.....	May 9, 1880	17	27	44	5	5	5	7	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
St. Johns.....	Dec. 7, 1863	J. E. Richards.....	.....	April 1, 1877	40	89	129	0	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Standish.....	Feb. 23, 1879	W. D. King.....	.....	June 1, 1879	9	15	24	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Tawas City.....	Aug. 5, 1877	Henry L. Hutchins.....	.....	Feb. 22, 1880	21	28	49	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	80
Tyone.....	Dec. 17, 1876	Edwin W. Shaw.....	.....	.....	31	34	65	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
Vernon.....	Jan. 11, 1851	†Wm. Mulder.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1878	24	53	77	0	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	100
Victor.....	May 24, 1845	John P. Sanderson.....	.....	April 1, 1878	23	19	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Vienna.....	Nov. 12, 1877	.....	.....	Dec. 30, 1877	17	46	63	5	10	11	21	0	18	0	0	6	3	95
Total.....	28	.....	.....	.....	771	1524	2295	263	65	79	144	30	55	11	113	25	29	2672

*Of the Norfolk Association, Mass. †Of the Marshall Conference. ‡Of the Plymouth Association, Mass. §Licentiate. ||Of the New Haven West Association, Conn. **Of the Methodist Church. ††Of the Lansing Association. ‡‡Of the Jackson Association.

GENESEE CONFERENCE.

Formed October 15, 1845.

Scribe, REV. ALFRED T. WATERMAN.

Meetings :—The Fourth Tuesday in April and October.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
T. C. Abbott,	June 7, 1867.	Pres. Ag. Col.	Lansing.
Frank L. Bristol,	October 21, 1875.	Minister,	Ithaca.
Miles E. Bacon,	Dec. 29, 1880.	Minister,	Pompeii.
John B. Dawson,	October, 19, 1860.	Minister,	Essexville.
Warren F. Day,	May 2, 1866.	Minister,	East Saginaw.
Lewis P. Frost,	—, —, —,	—, —, —,	Swartz Creek.
Frederick S. Hayden,	October 28, 1874.	Minister,	Flint.
Fayette Hurd,	October 1, 1863.	Minister,	Laingsburg.
W. M. Kellogg,	September 30, 1872.		
Lucius O. Lee,	November 17, 1875,	Missionary,	Marash, Turkey
Casimer B. Ludwig,	June, 1876.	Minister,	Farwell.
J. Monroe Lyon,	December, 2, 1879.	Minister,	Goodrich.
William H. Osborne,	October 15, 1839.	Without Charge,	Grand Rapids.
Lester B. Platt,	Nov. 5, 1877.	Minister,	Owosso.
J. E. Richards,	September, 3, 1876.	Minister,	St. Johns.
Alonzo Sanderson,	January, 1839.	Without Charge,	Flint.
John P. Sanderson,	August 20, 1876.	Minister,	Clio.
Samuel Sessions,	October 9, 1832.	Retired,	St. Johns.
Edwin W. Shaw,	September, 1858.	Minister,	Vernon.
George M. Tuthill,	April, 1847.	Sup't Am. B. So.,	Kalamazoo.
Alfred T. Waterman,	November 9, 1864.	Minister,	Grand Blanc.

VI.—SOUTHERN MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.	
Name.	Organized,	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.		Infants.
Canandaigua.....	Mar. 29, 1859	J. Van Antwerp.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1874	9	21	30	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	80
Clinton.....	July 5, 1833	Geo. E. Wilson.....	.....	Dec. 6, 1879	24	70	94	4	1	2	3	5	0	0	5	0	0	80
Dundee.....	Nov. 29, 1837	Frank W. Hullinger.....	.....	July 6, 1879	10	21	31	4	1	4	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	75
Franklin.....	Feb. 16, 1848	*Rev. A. H. Lowrey.....	.....	Nov. 28, 1880	21	37	58	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64
Hudson.....	Feb. 24, 1836	Theron G. Colton.....	Ins.	Feb. 28, 1875	59	124	183	34	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	0	0	236
Jerome.....	June 25, 1867	.....	.....	.....	10	22	32	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Litchfield.....	July 14, 1839	†Charles A. Northrup.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1880	45	85	130	6	0	2	2	2	1	0	4	0	0	166
London.....	Mar. 25, 1838	F. W. Hullinger.....	.....	July 1, 1879	10	15	25	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	70
Morenci.....	Mar. 17, 1858	J. Van Antwerp.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1874	23	45	68	4	0	6	6	2	3	1	6	0	0	200
North Adams.....	Mar. 16, 1847	C. S. Shattuck.....	.....	Dec. 20, 1879	32	72	104	4	5	5	10	1	3	3	16	3	1	125
Prattville.....	Feb. 26, 1875	L. Kelsey.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1879	20	25	45	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	34
Ransom.....	May 9, 1845	L. Kelsey.....	.....	April 1, 1879	22	29	51	15	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	100
Raisinville.....	June 13, 1849	.....	.....	.....	6	8	14	4	2	0	2	0	3	0	3	0	0	34
Somerset.....	May 19, 1858	E. T. Branch.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1878	32	46	78	12	6	3	9	2	0	0	2	4	1	135
West Adrian.....	Dec. 28, 1867	Rev. A. H. Lowrey.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1881	15	33	48	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	56
Wheatland.....	Mar. 9, 1843	.....	.....	.....	37	60	97	18	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	175
Total.....	16				375	713	1088	135	18	25	43	21	15	11	47	10	4	1656

*Of the Protestant Methodist Church. †Of the Fairfield West Association, Conn.

SOUTHERN MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

Formed June 17, 1848.

Scribe, REV. JOHN VAN ANTWERP.

Meetings:—Third Monday in May and October, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
B. A. Boller,			Hillsdale.
Edwin T. Branch,	February 21, 1849.	Minister,	Somerset.
Theron G. Colton,	September 25, 1849.	Minister,	Hudson,
Sawyer B. Downer,	May 12, 1875.	Without Charge,	Prattville.
Edmund Dyer,	—, 1836.	Minister,	Southfield.
Reuben Everts,	September 30, 1858.	Without Charge,	Battle Creek.
Frank W. Hullinger,	October, 17, 1879.	Minister,	Milton, Wis.
Lysander Kelsey,	September, 1846.	Minister,	Maybee.
Asa Mahan, D. D.,			London, Eng.
Selah W. Noyes,	September 7, 1866.		Fife Lake.
C. S. Shattuck,	October 16, 1849.	Minister,	North Adams.
J. D. Shults,	September 30, 1865.	Without Charge,	Dundee.
William D. Stout,		Without Charge,	Lickley's Corners.
John Van Antwerp,	October, 1847.	Minister,	Morenci.
J. D. Wells,	December, 18, 1878.	Minister,	Kokomo, Ind.
George E. Wilson,	July 11, 1875.	Minister,	Clinton,
R. Woodworth,	July 28, 1854.	Minister,	Wayne, O.

VII.—KALAMAZOO ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS*		NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.				REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Alamo.....	Dec. 3, 1867	George R. Milton.....	.....	Oct. 24, 1880	25	64	89	14	3	2	5	1	3	0	4	0	0	75
Allegan.....	June 10, 1858	.....	.....	.....	47	99	146	20	0	3	3	2	9	12	23	0	1	100
Augusta.....	July 26, 1849	.....	.....	.....	35	65	100	15	0	2	2	0	4	0	4	0	0	125
Benton Harbor.....	June 13, 1866	*John Allworth.....	.....	Feb. 1, 1880	18	38	56	0	3	8	11	0	2	0	2	0	2	35
Nov. 20, 1879	.....	Porter B. Parrey.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1880	5	13	18	1	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	41
Bridgeman.....	June 16, 1853	Porter B. Parrey.....	.....	Nov. 15, 1879	7	14	21	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	160
Coloma.....	June 20, 1879	.....	.....	Mar. 1, 1881	40	63	103	19	1	3	4	2	4	7	13	0	0	150
Cooper.....	Mar. 8, 1843	Elizur Andrus.....	.....	Aug. 17, 1879	32	61	93	17	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	1	1	150
Covert.....	Sept. 27, 1870	Levi P. Spelman.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1876	34	86	120	20	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Dowagiac.....	July 9, 1850	Orange H. Spoor.....	.....	.....	56	93	149	37	0	8	8	4	2	0	6	0	0	50
Galesburg.....	Aug. 18, 1852	.....	.....	.....	4	7	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146
Hamilton.....	June 24, 1880	Samuel F. Porter.....	.....	May 16, 1880	21	19	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Hopkins, 1st.....	Aug. 4, 1857	*George Candee.....	.....	Feb. 1, 1880	8	10	18	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Hopkins, 2d.....	Mar. 27, 1878	George Candee.....	.....	Feb. 6, 1881	104	189	293	30	2	9	11	7	9	14	30	0	0	75
Kalamazoo, 1st.....	June 6, 1835	Chas. O. Brown.....	.....	Feb. 9, 1879	60	129	189	28	2	6	8	3	5	4	22	1	0	219
Kalamazoo, Plymouth.....	May 25, 1869	Newel S. Wright.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1877	6	8	14	5	1	1	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	65
Keeler.....	July 7, 1850	N. D. Lanphear.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1881	8	20	28	8	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	75
Lawrence.....	Aug. 19, 1837	O. N. Hunt.....	.....	Jan. 24, 1881	5	19	24	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	50
Mattawan.....	July 2, 1867	Isaac N. Tomes.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1879	23	55	78	7	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	125
Osego.....	Jan. 7, 1837	.....	.....	.....	28	62	90	19	10	6	16	1	8	0	9	1	0	100
Saugatuck.....	Jan. 11, 1860	John Sailor.....	.....	June 6, 1880	28	62	90	19	10	6	16	1	8	0	9	1	0	250
South Haven.....	July 2, 1856	Angus A. Robertson.....	.....	.....	46	116	162	6	0	0	13	2	2	0	4	1	0	200
St. Joseph.....	April 28, 1854	Abel S. Wood.....	.....	Jan. 3, 1878	47	82	129	36	0	4	4	3	1	0	4	0	1	100
Three Oaks.....	Mar. 12, 1848	†M. M. Martin.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1880	33	40	73	13	2	3	5	1	7	5	13	1	0	100
Vicksburg.....	Oct. 25, 1865	.....	.....	.....	18	23	41	9	0	2	2	1	7	2	10	0	0	106
Total	24				710	1375	2085	307	33	70	103	28	84	44	156	8	5	2666

*Of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec. †Of the Grand River Conference. ‡Of a Wisconsin Convention.

KALAMAZOO ASSOCIATION.

Formed June 1, 1849.

Registrar, REV. LEVI P. SPELMAN.

Meetings:—First Tuesday in April and October.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Elizur Andrus,	September 27, 1850.	Minister,	Cooper.
Charles O. Brown,	April 28, 1875.	Minister,	Kalamazoo.
Frederick W. Bush,	May 6, 1871.	Minister,	West Leroy.
Davillo W. Comstock,	June 5th, 1861.	Without Charge,	Adrian.
J. S. Graves,		•	Niles.
Ozrow N. Hunt,	Sept. 21, 1878,	Minister,	Lawrence.
Adam S. Kedzie,	June 3, 1845.	{ Finan. Sec. Chicago } { Theological Sem'ry. }	Grand Haven.
John S. Kidder,	September 12, 1843.	Without Charge,	Hopkins.
N. D. Lanphear,	November 16, 1876.	Minister,	Alamo.
Geo. R. Milton,	January 18, 1876.	Minister,	Allegan.
Samuel F. Porter,			———, Minn.
Porter B. Parrey,	September 29, 1847.	Minister,	Bridgeman.
Angus A. Robertson,	Nov. 4, 1880.	Minister,	South Haven.
John Sailor,	June 10, 1848.	Minister,	Saugatuck.
Levi P. Spelman,	May, 2, 1860.	Minister,	Covert.
Orange H. Spoor,	November 1, 1861.	Minister,	Dowagiac.
James F. Taylor,	January 11, 1835.	Without Charge,	Saugatuck.
Charles Temple,		Retired,	Otsego.
Isaac N. Tomes,	September 19, 1858.	Minister,	Mattawan.
Waters Warren,		Retired,	Three Oaks.
Abel S. Wood,	October, 1867.	Minister,	St. Joseph.
Newel S. Wright,	August 7, 1873.	Minister,	Kalamazoo.

VIII.—GRAND TRAVERSE CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.			NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPT.		Whole No. in Sunday School.
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	(Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Almira.....	Dec. 18, 1864	Elihu Linkletter.....	Ins.....	Aug. 17, 1876	11	10	21	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55
Benzonia	June 8, 1860	Albert L. Gridley.....	.....	Aug. 20, 1875	51	55	106	11	2	2	4	1	8	0	9	4	1	100
Brown	Sept. 27, 1877	.....	.....	.....	28	21	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Empire	Mar. 8, 1876	Elihu Linkletter.....	.....	Aug. 17, 1876	6	7	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	100
Frankfort	Jan. 26, 1868	.....	.....	.....	21	24	45	12	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	3	0
Glen Arbor .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homestead	Sept. 3, 1864	Albert L. Gridley.....	.....	July 1, 1879	13	21	34	11	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	50
Joyfield.....	April 4, 1878	.....	.....	.....	3	5	8	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Leland	July 10, 1865	*Page F. McClelland.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1879	19	24	43	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	42
Marilla.....	June 24, 1872	Richard Redeoff .....	.....	May 1, 1880	9	14	23	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	50
Old Mission	Nov. 26, 1879	J. Malcom Smith.....	.....	Oct. 26, 1879	3	9	12	0	1	3	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	28
Onekema (German)	Sept. 28, 1874	Lewis E. Hale .....	.....	Aug. 1, 1881	15	15	30	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Pleasanton	Jan. 28, 1866	Joseph D. Millard.....	.....	May 1, 1880	11	15	26	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Sherman.....	Sept. 24, 1872	Richard Redeoff .....	.....	.....	12	15	27	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	50
Solon	Sept. 21, 1869	.....	.....	.....	7	10	17	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	165
Traverse City.....	Feb. 1, 1863	.....	.....	.....	39	59	98	4	4	4	8	0	1	0	2	4	0	0
Whitewater.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....17					248	304	552	54	11	15	26	7	13	3	28	9	6	755

*Of the Cheboygan Conference.

GRAND TRAVERSE CONFERENCE.

Formed January 1, 1863.

Scribe, REV. A. L. GRIDLEY.

Meetings:—Third Tuesday in January and Fourth Tuesday in June.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Amos B. Adams,		Farmer,	Benzonia.
William Adams,	September 5, 1877.		——, Oregon.
Henry A. Austin,	1856.	Minister,	
Charles E. Bailey,	1855.	Sec. G. T. Col.,	Benzonia.
Joseph D. Fisher,		Farmer,	Benzonia.
Albert L. Gridley	January 18, 1876.	Minister,	Benzonia.
Lewis E. Hale,	1877.	Minister,	Pleasanton.
Elihu Linkletter,	August 17, 1876.	Minister,	Almira.
Joseph D. Millard,	July 8, 1862.	Minister,	Pleasanton.
Daniel Miller,	September 6, 1868.	Farmer,	Glen Arbor.
Richard Redeoff,	June 7, 1861.	Minister,	Sherman.
J. Malcolm Smith,	April 4, 1863.	Minister,	Old Mission.

IX.—WESTERN CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.			NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPT.		Whole No. in Sunday School.
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Fremont Centre.....	July 24, 1875	*J. C. Mitchell.....	.....	April 18, 1880	5	5	10	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	60
Fruitport.....	Dec. 29, 1873	.....	.....	.....	6	13	19	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Grand Haven.....	May 12, 1874	Richard Lewis.....	Ins.....	July 1, 1879	20	43	63	13	4	5	9	0	2	7	9	0	3	120
Hart.....	Jan. 29, 1868	.....	.....	.....	2	8	10	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	0
Muskegon.....	April 7, 1859	†Minor W. Fairfield.....	.....	Feb. 1, 1881	46	134	180	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Newaygo.....	May 20, 1855	James P. Galiger.....	.....	Sept. 15, 1879	7	23	30	4	7	8	15	1	0	1	2	6	0	73
Nunica.....	Jan. 11, 1874	.....	.....	.....	3	9	12	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0
Olive.....	April 30, 1875	Clarence Finster.....	.....	Sept. 29, 1877	5	7	12	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	35
Pentwater.....	Jan. 24, 1866	†R. W. Fletcher.....	.....	June 6, 1880	14	30	44	10	10	5	15	1	4	0	5	4	0	150
Robinson.....	Feb. 24, 1877	Clarence Finster.....	.....	Sept. 29, 1877	8	22	30	2	0	2	2	1	0	6	7	0	1	75
Shelby.....	May 15, 1864	J. A. Bartlett.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1880	24	29	53	9	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	0	104
Whitecloud.....	Dec. 20, 1877	W. G. Puddefoot.....	.....	Aug. 24, 1879	10	34	44	10	21	5	26	0	2	0	2	17	1	64
Whitehall.....	May 5, 1868	||O. B. Waters.....	.....	Oct. 15, 1880	18	35	53	4	0	2	2	0	11	0	11	0	0	97
Total.....13					168	392	560	103	46	29	75	5	25	19	49	29	5	1108

*Unassociated. †Of the Eastern Association. ‡Of the Grand Rapids Presbytery. ||Of the Northern Central Conference.

WESTERN CONFERENCE.

Formed January 13, 1864.

Scribe, REV. RICHARD LEWIS.

Meetings:—Third Tuesday in March and September.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Julius A. Bartlett,	October 20, 1872.	Minister,	Shelby.
Clarence Finster,	March 26, 1878.	Minister,	Robinson.
James P. Galiger,	August 8, 1878.	Minister,	Newaygo.
Henry M. Goodell,	December 21, 1876.		
Isaac C. Hughes,	August 1, 1873.	Minister,	Beacon, Ia.
Richard Lewis,	February 28, 1864.	Minister,	Grand Haven.
William G. Puddefoot,	January 29, 1880.	Miniseer,	Whitecloud.

X.—NORTHERN CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.			NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'g	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismiss'd	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Baldwin.....	Oct. 26, 1879	.....	.....	.....	6	13	19	0	4	1	5	0	3	0	3	3	0	52
Big Rapids.....	Dec. 3, 1876	Elisha W. Miller.....	.....	Mar. 1, 1877	10	43	53	14	4	3	7	1	6	1	8	0	1	90
Chase.....	Sept. 28, 1873	Henry H. Smith.....	.....	Nov. 21, 1880	9	17	26	4	4	0	4	0	3	0	3	0	2	75
Clare.....	Dec. 22, 1872	*Casimer B. Ludwig.....	.....	Nov. 16, 1880	10	24	34	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Croton.....	June 3, 1871	†J. P. Galiger.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Custer.....	Oct. 25, 1879	Leander Curtiss.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1880	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Farwell.....	Dec. 22, 1872	Casimer B. Ludwig.....	.....	Nov. 13, 1880	5	11	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	70
Hersey.....	July 24, 1870	George L. Beach.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1880	14	29	43	8	0	0	0	0	3	1	4	1	0	75
Ludington.....	July 16, 1870	.....	.....	.....	17	42	59	19	0	3	3	0	1	1	1	0	2	90
Manistee.....	July 20, 1862	Emory G. Chaddock.....	.....	Oct. 27, 1878	84	146	230	14	7	2	9	0	4	1	5	5	13	350
Reed City.....	Dec. 28, 1872	George L. Beach.....	.....	Sept. 10, 1879	23	36	59	9	6	8	14	0	0	0	0	5	2	175
Tustin.....	May 10, 1879	Henry H. Smith.....	.....	Dec. 1, 1880	4	4	8	1	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Weldon Creek.....	July 9, 1876	Leander Curtiss.....	.....	Sept. 1, 1880	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	..... 13	.....	.....	.....	186	368	554	74	28	18	46	1	23	3	27	14	21	1117

*Of the Genesee Conference. †Of the Western Conference.

NORTHERN CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

Formed March 12, 1873.

Scribe, REV. ELISHA W. MILLER.

Meetings :—Second Tuesday in March and Fourth Tuesday in September.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
George L. Beach,	May 23, 1873.	Minister,	Reed City.
Emory G. Chaddock,	March 20, 1860.	Minister,	Manistee.
Leander Curtiss,	February 25, 1856.	Minister,	Custer,
Elisha W. Miller,	October 23, 1873.	Minister,	Big Rapids.
Wm. E. Sillence,	July 2, 1879.	Minister,	Manistee.
Henry H. Smith,	September 7, 1873.	Minister.	Chase.
Otis B. Waters,	February 12, 1861.	Minister,	Whitehall.
Theodore B. Willson,	July 24, 1879.	Minister,	——, Conn.

XI.—CHEBOYGAN CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.			NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Alba.....	Mar. 11, 1879	James Davies.....	.....	May 1, 1880	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banks (Atwood P.O.)...	June 8, 1867	Thomas Nield.....	.....	Sept. 18, 1879	9	19	28	4	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	5	35
Berryville.....	Feb. 17, 1879	.....	.....	.....	3	7	10	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	30
Central Lake.....	Dec. 28, 1877	.....	.....	.....	19	8	17	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheboygan.....	Sept. 3, 1872	Charles A Marsh.....	Ins.	May 30, 1880	20	36	56	4	4	7	11	1	1	0	2	3	0	150
Excelsior.....	April 30, 1879	T. Arthur Porter.....	.....	July 1, 1880	10	19	29	1	5	3	8	0	0	0	5	3	0	30
Fife Lake.....	Sept. 29, 1878	*Selah W. Noyes.....	.....	Apr. 20, 1880	12	9	11	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	25
Gaylord.....	Apr. 26, 1877	Abram Van Auker.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1878	19	19	38	7	1	6	7	1	1	0	2	2	0	2
Kalkaska.....	Jan. 15, 1875	T. Arthur Porter.....	.....	July 1, 1880	8	12	20	0	4	9	13	0	3	0	3	2	0	85
Kearney.....	Feb. 7, 1878	.....	.....	.....	1	7	8	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mancelona.....	Aug. 5, 1874	†Seward S. Palmer.....	.....	Feb. 1, 1881	9	13	22	5	0	5	5	1	1	0	2	0	0	50
Manton.....	Nov. 1, 1876	Selah W. Noyes.....	.....	Apr. 20, 1880	6	6	12	2	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	1	0	40
Northport.....	Feb. 22, 1863	Page F. McClelland..	.....	Oct. 1, 1876	13	34	47	11	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	55
Otsego Lake.....	Sept. 4, 1875	James Armstrong.....	.....	July 10, 1880	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	80
Roscommon.....	.....	Seward S. Palmer.....	.....	Feb. 1, 1881	6	6	12	2	2	2	4	0	4	0	4	0	0	0
Westwood.....	Mar. 15, 1876	.....	.....	.....	5	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0
Total.....	16				120	199	319	40	18	39	57	5	26	0	31	13	8	582

*Of the Southern Michigan Conference. †Of the Lansing Association. ‡Last Year's Report.

XII.—LAKE SUPERIOR CONFERENCE.

Calumet.....	Jan, 19, 1873	Robert M. Higgins.....	.....	July 25, 1880	54	56	110	15	6	4	10	0	2	0	2	1	36	233
Hancock.....	.....	.....	.....	Oct. 1, 1877	48	98	146	17	10	4	14	2	12	0	14	0	32	376
Total.....	2				102	154	256	32	16	8	24	2	14	0	16	1	68	609

CHEBOYGAN CONFERENCE.

Formed February 13, 1878.

Scribe, REV. PAGE F. MCCLELLAND.

Meetings :—First Tuesday in June and Third Tuesday in December.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
James Armstrong,	1857.	Minister.	Roscommon.
Stephen O. Bryant	February 13, 1868.	Sec. Business.	Mancelona.
James Davies,	March 26, 1874.	Minister.	Atwood.
John Ellison,			Ovid.
Elias E. Kirkland,	January 22, 1846.	Retired.	Northport.
Charles A. Marsh,	November 4, 1880.	Minister.	Cheboygan.
Page F. McClelland,	December 29, 1872.	Minister.	Northport.
Thomas Nield,	June 19, 1874.	Minister.	Elmira.
T. Arthur Porter,	February 25, 1879.	Minister.	Kalkaska.
Abraham Van Auken,	February 26, 1879.	Minister.	Gaylord.
John W. Youngs,	July 2, 1878.	Minister.	Big Springs, Wis.

XIII.—LANSING ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.		REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.		
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismiss'd.	Excom.	Total.		Adults.	Infants.
Carson City.....	June 29, 1872	J. T. Husted .....	.....	Dec. 1, 1879	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coral	Nov. 26, 1872	.....	.....	.....	13	27	40	0	0	0	0	2	9	0	11	0	0	80
Crystal	May 6, 1877	Norman L. Otis.....	.....	Nov. 15, 1880	8	12	20	5	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	0	40
Delta.....	Nov. 14, 1863	.....	.....	.....	8	11	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Edmore.....	Aug 12, 1879	Henry Marsh.....	.....	May 15, 1880	4	4	8	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	100
Grand Ledge.....	Jan. 21, 1864	*B. S. Pratt.....	.....	Dec. 12, 1880	10	24	34	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	0	0	50
Greenville.....	June 5, 1852	James L. Patton.....	.....	Jan. 1, 1866	50	108	158	0	1	1	2	0	6	0	6	0	0	320
Hubbardston.....	Mar. 13, 1855	.....	.....	.....	23	36	59	4	1	1	8	0	2	0	11	1	1	104
Ionia.....	May 9, 1868	J. A. S. Worden.....	.....	May 30, 1880	8	24	32	6	0	0	2	0	1	0	24	0	0	0
Lansing	Apr. 26, 1864	†Theodore P. Prudden	Inst.....	Oct. 1, 1874	97	177	274	31	5	8	13	4	8	1	13	1	1	266
Leroy Township.....	May 14, 1880	.....	.....	.....	2	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	50
Millbrook.....	Feb. 25, 1877	Henry Marsh.....	.....	May 15, 1880	5	3	8	2	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	0	50
Portland.....	Feb. 4, 1843	.....	.....	.....	59	111	170	20	6	5	11	1	2	0	3	2	0	150
Saranac.....	Oct. 28, 1871	James A. McKay.....	.....	Nov. 1, 1878	10	31	41	0	7	6	13	0	0	0	0	3	1	70
Sheridan.....	Sept. 22, 1877	.....	.....	Feb. 15, 1877	8	25	33	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Smyrna.....	.....	J. T. Otis.....	.....	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wacona.....	July 8, 1862	Wm. H. Skentlebury .....	.....	May 1, 1873	21	50	71	10	3	0	3	2	1	2	5	0	0	55
Williamston.....	Feb. 8, 1878	J. J. Bunnell.....	.....	May 1, 1881	4	12	16	5	0	2	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	25
Total.....	18				330	662	992	91	28	39	67	11	45	36	98	10	4	1420

*Of the M. E. Church. †Unassociated.

LANSING ASSOCIATION.

Formed March 30, 1880.

Scribe, REV. HENRY MARSH.

Meetings :—Fourth Monday of March and September.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Stephen A. Barnard,	January 13, 1830.	Retired.	Lansing.
John T. Husted,	October 4, 1868.	Minister,	Ovid.
Henry Marsh,	April 23, 1875.	Minister,	Edmore.
Jonathan T. Otis,	September 23, 1877,	Minister,	Sheridan.
S. S. Palmer,	March 24, 1880.	Minister,	Mancelona.
Charles Parker,	October 9, 1870.	Minister,	Salem, Or.
James L. Patton.	October 28, 1828.	Minister,	Greenville.
Wm. H. Skentelbury,	July 7, 1875.	Minister,	Wacousta.
Leroy Warren,	October 12, 1862.	Supt. H. Missions,	Lansing.

XIV.—CHIPPEWA AND MACKINAC CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.				NO. IN CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.		REMOVALS.				BAP.		Whole No. in Sunday School.	
Name.	Organized.	Minister.	Relation.	Commenced Labor.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.		
Bay Mills.....	May 30, 1880	Wm. Curry .....	.....	Mar. 25, 1879	4	4	8	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	65
Mount Forest.....	Nov. 7, 1880	Isaac G. Gordon .....	.....	June 1, 1880	5	5	10	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Mount Zion.....	Nov. 4, 1880	Isaac G. Gordon .....	.....	Aug. 1, 1880	8	6	14	1	14	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	35
Pine Grove.....	May 27, 1880	Isaac G. Gordon .....	.....	Feb. 1, 1880	7	7	14	0	14	0	14	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	40
St. Ignace.....	Sept. 5, 1880	Albert Livermore.....	.....	Sept. 5, 1880	4	7	11	0	11	9	11	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	40
Sault de Ste. Marie, E....	May 28, 1880	Isaac G. Gordon.....	.....	Dec. 15, 1879	7	10	17	0	17	0	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	50
Sugar Island.....	May 30, 1880	Erastus S. Curry .....	.....	Feb. 15, 1880	10	8	18	1	18	18	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50
Total	7				45	47	92	3	65	27	92	1	0	3	4	2	28	285	

CHIPPEWA AND MACKINAC CONFERENCE.

Formed March 17, 1880.

Scribe, REV. ERASTUS S. CURRY.

Meetings :—

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>	<i>Employment.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Erastus S. Curry,	June 16, 1866.	Minister,	Sault de Ste. Marie.
William Curry,	May 30, 1880.	Minister,	Bay Mills.
Isaac G. Gordon,	May 27, 1880.	Minister,	Sault de Ste. Marie.
Albert Livermore,	November 16, 1874.	Minister,	St. Ignace.

SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1881.

CONFERENCES AND ASSOCIATIONS.

CONFERENCES AND ASSOCIATIONS.	CHURCHES.						MINISTERS.				NO. IN THE CHURCHES.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAP.		No. in the Sunday schools.	
	No. of Churches in the Conferences.	Supplied by Pastors.	Supplied by not Instal'd	Supplied by other Denominations.	Total Supplied.	Vacant.	Installed Pastors.	Not Installed.	Without Charge.	Total.	Licentiates.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profession.	Letter.	Total.	Deaths.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Total.	Adults.		Infants.
Eastern Conference and Ass'n.	31	2	23	1	25	6	2	34	15	36	1	1105	2083	3188	536	88	105	193	43	118	51	212	34	47	3552
Jackson Conference and Ass'n.	16	0	15	2	17	1	0	13	3	13	0	588	1147	1785	202	39	65	104	27	78	16	121	17	9	1662
Marshall Conference.	18	0	17	2	19	1	0	19	3	19	0	567	993	1560	283	102	70	172	22	47	7	82	50	2	1686
Grand River Conference.	29	1	21	0	22	7	1	24	8	25	1	621	1220	1841	336	73	88	161	16	58	9	83	24	11	2461
Genesee Conference.	28	2	22	1	24	4	2	19	6	21	1	771	1524	2295	246	65	79	144	31	55	11	113	25	29	2672
Southern Michigan Conference.	16	1	12	1	13	3	1	16	6	17	0	375	713	1088	135	18	25	43	21	15	11	47	10	4	1656
Kalamazoo Association.	24	0	21	0	21	3	0	22	7	22	0	710	1375	2085	307	33	70	103	28	84	44	156	8	5	2666
Grand Traverse Conference.	17	1	9	0	10	7	1	11	5	12	0	248	304	552	54	11	15	26	7	18	3	28	9	6	755
Western Conference.	13	1	9	1	10	3	1	6	0	7	0	168	392	560	103	46	29	75	5	25	19	49	29	5	1108
Northern Central Conference.	13	0	11	0	11	2	0	8	0	8	0	186	368	554	74	28	18	46	1	23	3	27	14	21	1117
Cheboygan Conference.	16	1	11	0	12	4	1	10	2	1	0	120	199	319	40	18	39	57	5	26	0	31	13	8	582
Lake Superior Conference.	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	102	154	256	32	16	8	24	2	14	0	16	1	1	609
Lansing Association.	18	1	11	1	12	6	1	9	2	10	0	330	662	992	91	28	39	67	11	45	36	98	10	4	1420
Chippewa and Mackinac Conf.	7	0	7	0	7	0	0	4	0	4	0	45	47	92	3	65	27	92	1	0	3	4	2	28	285
	248	10	190	9	200	48	10	196	57	206	3	5936	11181	17117	2442	630	677	1307	220	606	213	1067	246	247	22231

CHANGES

CHURCHES.—New—Bancroft, Bay Mills, Bridgman, Custer, East Wayland, Hamilton, Mount Forest, Mount Zion, Pine Grove, Leroy Township, St. Ignace, Sault de Ste. Marie, Sugar Island.—13.
 DISBANDED.—Adrian, Plym., Bridgehampton, Jackson 2d, South Boston.—4.
 MINISTERS.—ORDAINED—Miles E. Bacon, Lemuel B. Bissell, Wm. C. Calland, Isaac G. Gordon, Charles A. Marsh, Wm. G. Puddefoot, Angus A. Robertson, Frederick G. Wood.—8.
 INSTALLED.—Richard Lewis, William W. Lyle, Charles A. Marsh, Ben F. Sargent.—4.
 DISMISSED.—Miner W. Fairfield.
 DEATHS.—James Ballard, Theophilus S. Brown, Samuel Day, William Platt, Edward R. Stiles.—5.
 NOT ASSOCIATED.—Marcus S. Angell, Theodore P. Prudden, James Vincent.
 Changes in uninstalled ministers not mentioned.

BENEVOLENCES.

A TABULAR VIEW OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS

Of the Congregational Churches of Michigan, for the objects named, from March 31, 1880, to April 1, 1881.

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	American Home Missionary Society.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	Congregational Publishing Society.	Western Education Society.	American Bible Society.	Other Benevolences.
<i>Eastern Conference.</i>								
Almont.....	\$34 00	\$38 00	\$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Armada.....	13 28	32 00	26 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bruce.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chesterfield.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbus.....	8 10	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Detroit, 1st.....	1,672 66	289 18	352 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$3,322 21
Detroit, 2d.....	162 00	250 00	25 16	.....	.....	\$22 43	.....	1,652 72
Flat Rock.....	5 00	5 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hunter's Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Imlay City.....	30 39	37 10	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 45
Lexington.....	.....	38 58	.....	10 80	.....	.....	.....	.....
Memphis.....	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Metamora.....	10 50	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nankin and Livonia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Baltimore.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Haven.....	.....	3 00	4 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakwood.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orion.....	3 25	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Oxford.....	.....	6 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pontiac.....	29 20	3 56	6 10	.....	.....	.....	\$2 26	.....
Port Huron.....	53 56	137 25	820 25	71 18	.....	31 25	.....	398 51
Port Sanilac.....	.....	40 13	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ray.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richmond.....	9 96	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rochester.....	.....	10 38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Romeo.....	160 00	238 13	237 60	22 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Royal Oak.....	.....	15 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
St. Clair.....	.....	.....	14 71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Utica.....	.....	15 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wayne.....	24 50	23 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00
White Rock.....	.....	13 50	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2,231 40	1,274 03	1,521 44	114 48	.....	53 68	2 26	5,512 89
<i>Jackson Conference.</i>								
Ann Arbor.....	258 96	172 74	76 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	361 60
Augusta.....	.....	14 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 18
Chelsea.....	60 65	115 75	31 50	13 00	.....	.....	.....	88 00
Grass Lake.....	51 00	46 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Hamburg.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson.....	493 00	385 00	151 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	796 60
Leslie.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Michigan Centre.....	17 00	.....	.....	2 89	.....	.....	.....	32 77
Napoleon.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Leoni.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pinckney.....	.....	17 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salem.....	13 00	75 00	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandstone.....	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00
Summit.....	.....	58 18	13 98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union City.....	1,245 00	104 14	1,319 62	19 00	.....	.....	.....	322 00
Webster.....	22 34	70 84	9 00	.....	.....	.....	13 50	.....
	2,160 95	1,082 44	1,618 11	54 89	.....	.....	13 50	1,660 15

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	American Home Missionary Society.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	Congregational Publishing Society.	Western Education Society.	American Bible Society.	Other Benevolences.
<i>Marshall Conference.</i>								
Bedford.....		11 00						
Bronson.....		44 00						
Ceresco.....	6 22	27 35		4 00				5 00
Charlotte.....	72 53	154 50	53 00	20 00		5 00	19 41	301 32
Chester.....		5 00						
East Johnstown.....		11 80						
Eaton Rapids.....		30 00	2 00					30 00
Fredonia.....	8 00							5 00
Johnstown and Barry.....								
Kalamo.....	3 50		3 00					
Leroy.....	5 00	22 65						
Marshall.....	13 00	14 42	5 00					
North Johnstown.....		1 00						
Olivet.....	55 01	64 14	278 48	33 60		15 00		9 16
Onondaga.....								
Pottersville.....				2 00				
Vermontville.....	53 00	28 00	13 00	32 75				18 50
Walton.....	3 00	2 25						
	219 26	416 11	354 48	92 35		20 00	19 41	368 98
<i>Grand River Conference.</i>								
Ada, 1st.....		24 00		5 67				
Ada, 2d.....		6 75						
Allendale.....		13 10		3 47				
Alpine and Walker.....		27 20		11 38				
Bradley.....		8 84						4 00
Cannon.....		4 00		30 00				
Cannonsburg.....		13 00						3 50
Cedar Springs.....		20 50						
Dorr.....	15 00	10 00						
Dorr Village.....		7 51		2 50				
East Irving.....								
Eastmanville.....	2 00	10 00						
East Wayland.....								
Freeport.....		13 00		3 25				
Grand Rapids, 1st.....	100 00	400 00	140 75					2,293 44
Grand Rapids, 2d.....								
Grand Rapids, South.....	9 67	3 86	4 25					
Grandville.....	3 00	14 00		3 00				5 00
Hudsonville.....		16 00						
Irving.....								
Lamont.....		6 44						
Lowell.....			5 00					
Middleville.....		103 59		2 90				
Paris.....		12 16						
Rockford.....		23 50		3 67				
Sand Lake.....		5 72		53				
Sebewa.....								
Stanton.....	7 92	8 50	14 50	9 87				42 00
Wayland.....								
	137 59	761 67	164 50	76 24				2,347 94
<i>Genesee Conference.</i>								
Alma.....								
Alpena.....	54 90	58 50	595 75	89 90				86 00
Bancroft.....								
Bay City.....							10 45	
Bridgeport.....		10 00						
East Fulton.....		14 81	82 23					
East Saginaw.....	417 00	153 50						720 00
East Tawas.....		5 00	8 00				5 00	
Essexville.....		13 65						
Flint.....	73 86	65 00		27 36				20 00
Genesee.....								
Goodrich.....	15 12	21 50						27 00

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	American Home Mis- sionary Society.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	Congregational Pub- lishing Society.	Western Education Society.	American Bible Society.	Other Benevolences.
<i>Gonesee Conference.</i>								
Grand Blanc.....	40 00	17 00	9 88					
Hartland Center.....		13 50						
Ithaca.....		10 53						
Laingsburg.....	6 50	34 50	7 25	5 52				16 00
Maple Rapids.....								
Munger.....								
Ovid.....		42 00						
Owosso.....	140 10	39 29	86 52					25 00
Perry.....	5 00	26 66						
St. Johns.....	20 00	25 00	20 00				7 60	70 38
Standish.....		13 00		3 00	5 00		5 50	
Tawas City.....	6 50		8 00				2 65	
Tyrone.....								
Vernon.....		3 00		2 50				
Victor.....		10 00						
Vienna.....	6 44	42 00	10 00					
	785 42	618 44	830 63	128 28	5 00		31 20	964 38
<i>So. Michigan Conference.</i>								
Canandaigua.....	12 00	12 65	2 70	5 50				
Clinton.....	10 00							
Dundee.....		19 69						2 00
Franklin.....								
Hudson.....	42 00	61 60	24 70	16 25		7 00	3 50	
Jerome.....								
Litchfield.....	19 35	72 85	19 75			5 00		12 00
London.....		8 90						
Morenci.....	27 25	21 65	2 50	9 10				
North Adams.....	18 18	22 24	12 00	4 27				33 50
Prattville.....		6 00		3 00				
Raisinville.....	10 00							
Ransom.....	2 00	22 08						
Somerset.....	18 13	45 00		29 00				
West Adrian.....	15 07	28 19						
Wheatland.....	58 10	60 17	60 20					
	232 08	381 02	121 85	67 12		12 00	3 50	47 50
<i>Kalamazoo Association.</i>								
Alamo.....		39 00	10 00	8 60				
Allegan.....	73 00	31 25	10 00					
Augusta.....		18 15						
Benton Harbor.....		26 00						
Bridgman.....		3 96						
Coloma.....		4 50						
Cooper.....	12 35	35 62	13 06	20 68				5 59
Covert.....	37 72	49 35	36 91	5 21				65 00
Dowagiac.....	10 00	20 00					10 00	25 00
Galesburg.....	30 00	52 53	100 00		1 92		5 00	
Hamilton.....	3 90	9 92	5 00					10 00
Hopkins, 1st.....		8 91	8 00					
Hopkins, 2d.....		8 50						28 00
Kalamazoo, 1st.....	88 46	263 80	90 50			19 40	10 47	
Kalamazoo, Plymouth.....	32 64	18 30	11 50					42 29
Keeler.....		10 00		2 50				
Lawrence.....								
Mattawan.....		20 25	10 00	5 00				
Otsego.....	15 00		7 00	30 00		10 00		17 50
Saugatuck.....	7 36	10 00						
South Haven.....			13 75					
St. Joseph.....	60 00	36 35	1 00	33 00			3 00	42 55
Three Oaks.....	13 00	25 00	25 00	17 10				
Vicksburg.....		26 00						
	383 43	717 39	341 72	122 09	1 92	29 40	28 47	235 93

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	American Home Missionary Society.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	Congregational Publishing Society.	Western Education Society.	American Bible Society.	Other Benevolences.
<i>Grand Traverse Conference.</i>								
Almira.....		11 50						
Benzonia.....	17 88	50 14	38 04					
Brown.....								
Empire.....								
Frankfort.....	3 39	25 94	7 00	5 32				
Glen Arbor.....								
Homestead.....		25 00	2 87					
Joyfield.....			5 00					
Leland.....							1 38	
Marilla.....		4 00						
Old Mission.....	3 56	12 00						1 50
Oneskema (German)				3 00				
Pleasanton.....		3 00						
Sherman.....		3 62						
Solon.....		5 00						
Traverse City.....			1 00					
Whitewater.....								
	24 83	140 20	53 91	8 32			1 38	1 50
<i>Western Conference.</i>								
Fremont Center.....		6 00						
Fruitport.....								
Grand Haven.....	5 00	36 00	2 00					
Hart.....		5 00						
Muskegon.....								
Newaygo.....		14 00		3 75				73 00
Nunica.....		1 26						
Olive.....		10 00						
Pentwater.....	18 06	36 00	7 00	2 29				
Robinson.....	2 00	15 00		5 00				
Shelby.....		10 50			1 80			
Whitecloud.....		20 00						
Whitehall.....		38 06	5 83					
	25 06	191 82	14 83	11 04	1 80			73 00
<i>N. Central Conference.</i>								
Baldwin.....	75	9 52						
Big Rapids.....	2 00	24 00	2 13	1 00				
Chase.....				3 82				
Clare.....								
Croton.....								
Custer.....		5 17	10 00					
Farwell.....		10 00						
Hersey.....		39 98	6 07	3 17				
Ludington.....	12 50	4 14	20 00	10 00				6 11
Manistee.....	62 50	109 50		52 00			75 00	
Road City.....		15 00		8 50				
Tustin.....				1 00				
Weldon Creek.....								
	77 75	217 31	38 20	79 49			75 00	6 11
<i>Cheboygan Conference.</i>								
Alba.....								
Banks, (Atwood P. O.).....		21 75						
Berryville.....	1 00	4 25	1 05					
Central Lake.....								
Cheboygan.....		10 00		5 75				
Excelsior.....		3 00						

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	American Home Mis- sionary Society.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	Congregational Pub- lishing Society.	Western Education Society.	American Bible Society.	Other Benevolences.
<i>Cheboygan Conference.</i>								
Fife Lake.....								
Gaylord.....		23 25	3 00	4 00				
Kalkaska.....		4 00						
Kearney.....								
Mancelona.....		3 47						
Manton.....		1 98						
Northport.....	35 98	57 54	21 56	14 95		14 95	9 00	
Otsego Lake.....								
Roscommon.....		2 00						
Westwood.....								
	36 98	131 24	25 61	24 70		14 95	9 00	
<i>Lake Superior Conference,</i>								
Calumet.....	225 52	228 95	619 65	120 72		30 27	38 08	42 68
Hancock.....	42 92	68 34	108 52	21 13				376 12
	266 44	297 29	728 17	141 85		30 27	38 08	418 80
<i>Lansing Association.</i>								
Carson City.....		9 09		6 50				
Coral.....								
Crystal.....		8 50		2 25				16 00
Delta.....								
Edmore.....		3 33						
Grand Ledge.....		7 80						
Greenville.....	139 25	106 00	60 00	78 00				283 36
Hubbardston.....								
Ionia.....				4 53				
Lansing.....	83 00	178 75	33 00	15 50				210 00
Leroy Township.....		1 17						
Millbrook.....		4 00		3 00				
Portland.....	2 75	42 20	19 00					14 05
Saranac.....		21 56						
Sheridan.....	2 00	24 00		2 00				4 50
Smyrna.....								
Wacousta.....	5 00	35 50	4 80					
Williamston.....		6 00						
	232 00	447 90	116 80	111 78				527 91
<i>Chippewa and Mackinac Conference.</i>								
Bay Mills.....		2 45						
Mount Fores.....		5 00						
Mount Zion.....								
Pine Grove.....		5 00						
St. Ignace.....		7 22						
Sault de Ste. Marie, E.....		7 82						
Sugar Island.....		12 00						3 60
		39 49						3 60

A TABULAR VIEW OF THE CLERKS OF THE SEVERAL CHURCHES WITH THEIR P. O. ADDRESS:
Of the amount of Ministers' salaries and other Parish Expenses; together with the Estimated Value of the Church Edifices and Parsonages, the amount of Permanent Funds, and the Number of Families in the Parishes.

NAME OF CHURCH.	NAME OF CHURCH CLERK.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	PARISH EXPENSES, From April 1, 1880, to April 1, 1881.				ESTIMATED VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.			No. of Families in the Parish.
			Amount of Minister's salary, includ- ing Rent of Parsonage.	Amount of Parish expen- ses, exclusive of Ministers' Salary.	Church Edifice.	Parsonage.	Permanent Fund.			
<i>Eastern Conference.</i>										
Almont.....	B. F. Johnston.....	Almont.....	\$1,000 00	.....	\$20,000 00	\$1,000 00	.....	.....	40
Armada.....	E. D. A. True.....	Armada.....	600 00	.....	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	18
Bruce.....	E. C. Dennison.....	Milton.....	233 00	\$20 00	1,200 00	.....	.....	\$36 00	130
Chesterfield.....	N. B. Clark.....	Adair.....	516 50	30 20	800 00	800 00	.....	30 00	150
Columbus.....	Francis Raymond.....	Detroit.....	3,500 00	2,546 67	28,000 00	12,000 00	.....	.....	125
Detroit, 1st.....	L. M. Curtis.....	Detroit, 88 Joy st.....	2,000 00	296 50	45,000 00	.....	.....	.....	30
Detroit, 2d.....	John H. Peters.....	Flat Rock.....	250 00	25 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	50 00	6
Flat Rock.....	John F. Clark.....	Hunter's Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Hunter's Creek.....	N. B. Eldridge.....	Imlay City.....	700 00	200 00	3,600 00	.....	.....	260 00	80
Imlay City.....	Chas. S. Nims.....	Lexington.....	500 00	125 12	3,000 00	.....	.....	.....	50
Lexington.....	Mrs. Wm. P. Russell.....	Memphis.....	600 00	185 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	.....	50
Memphis.....	O. C. Thompson, jr.....	Metamora.....	800 00	128 00	4,500 00	.....	.....	.....	50
Metamora.....	D. M. Mills.....	New Baltimore.....	600 00	100 00	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	50
Nankin and Livonia.....	Mrs. J. D. Fuller.....	New Haven.....	500 00	.....	1,300 00	.....	.....	.....	50
New Baltimore.....	Benjamin Giddings.....	Oakwood.....	130 00	.....	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....	15
New Haven.....	A. S. Warner.....	Orion.....	450 00	50 00	2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	45
Oakwood.....	Chas. Malcome.....	Oxford.....	800 00	40 00	5,000 00	.....	.....	.....	150
Orion.....	Alonzo P. Frost.....	Pontiac.....	950 00	2,059 50	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	60
Pontiac.....	John McKeand.....	Port Huron.....	2,250 00	1,446 27	14,000 00	5,000 00	3,600 00	.....	120
Port Huron.....	H. Oldfield.....	Port Sanilac.....	300 00	125 00	2,500 00	.....	.....	.....	38
Port Sanilac.....	Seth Lathrop.....	Richmond.....	600 00	160 00	800 00	.....	.....	.....	120
Ray.....	James Newberry.....	Rochester.....	900 00	650 00	2,500 00	2,000 00	.....	.....	129
Richmond.....	Watson Loud.....	Romeo.....	.....	.....	30,000 00	.....	.....	.....	30
Rochester.....	Levi Tootil.....	Royal Oak.....	200 00	55 00	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	120
Romeo.....	James T. Aulls.....	St. Clair.....	1,000 00	.....	14,000 00	.....	100 00	.....	50
Royal Oak.....	J. H. Boughton.....	Utica.....	500 00	315 00	3,500 00	.....	.....	.....	150
St. Clair.....	W. C. Steers.....	Wayne.....	700 00	450 00	2,000 00	.....	.....	.....	38
Utica.....	Fred. Cummings.....	White Rock.....	400 00	95 00	1,600 00	.....	.....	.....	1,696
Wayne.....										
White Rock.....										
			\$20,975 50	\$9,102 31	\$198,300 00	\$20,800 00	\$4,076 00			

Grand River Conference.

Alpine and Walker	Edmund Manley	Box 5, Grand Rapids	\$550 00	\$50 00	\$4,000 00	\$1,000 00	\$25 00	30
Bradley	S. S. Fox	Bradley	250 00	291 00	.....	.....	.....	60
Cannon	Sidney Weller	Rockford	300 00	300 00	1,000 00	.....	.....	18
Cannonsburg	A. Rena Judson	Cannonsburg	175 00	70 00	4,000 00	.....	15 00	20
Cedar Springs	A. L. Fox, M. D.	Cedar Springs	180 00	41 00	1,250 00	.....	75 00	30
Dorr	Jasper S. Gilbert	Moline	500 00	60 00	2,400 00	.....	.....	40
Dorr Village	L. N. Fisher	Dorr	200 00	8 00	1,000 00	.....	.....	40
East Irving	Isaac Moulton	Freeport	200 00	.....	1,200 00	.....	25 00	10
Eastmanville	Paul Mastenbrock	Eastmanville	350 00	25 00	2,500 00	.....	.....	30
East Wayland	A. Towles	Wayland	100 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	12
Freeport	J. H. Herrington	Freeport	400 00	85 00	2,500 00	.....	.....	50
Grand Rapids, Ist.	H. G. Post	Grand Rapids	2,500 00	2,500 00	75,000 00	.....	.....	195
Grand Rapids, 2d	John L. Buchanan	34 Harrington St. G. R.	600 00	300 00	3,500 00	.....	.....	80
Grand Rapids, South	George Cook	Grand Rapids	900 00	875 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	150
Grandville	C. H. Hibbard	Grandville	325 00	35 00	1,500 00	50 1/2 00	.....	30
Hudsonville	A. W. Dean	Hudsonville	225 00	70 00	800 00	.....	.....	40
Irving	Mrs. Frank Campbell	Irving	281 00	290 00	3,813 00	.....	.....	26
Lamont	The Pastor	Lamont	200 00	62 00	1,000 00	.....	.....	20
Lowell	W. M. Chapman	Lowell	400 00	214 00	1,500 00	.....	100 00	55
Middleville	W. C. Pratt	Middleville	200 00	8 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	74
Paris	W. P. Nellist	East Paris	700 00	150 00	3,000 00	.....	500 00	20
Rockford	E. W. Paine	Rockford	600 00	225 00	1,400 00	.....	.....	40
Sand Lake	The Pastor	Sand Lake .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
Sebewa	C. L. Halladay	Sebewa .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Stanton	J. W. Richards	Stanton	1,325 00	407 00	4,100 00	800 00	100 00	40
Wayland	E. P. Hersey	Wayland	300 00	30 00	150 00	.....	.....	30
			\$12,736 00	\$6,227 00	\$126,313 00	\$3,633 00	\$840 00	1,255

Genesee Conference.

Alma	L. S. Benham	Alma .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alpena	David Plough	Alpena .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bancroft	James Lyman	Bancroft .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bay City	George F. Hood	Bay City, box 1676 .....	.....	.....	7,500 00	.....	.....	67
Bridgeport	Walter A. Griffin	Bridgeport	300 00	61 91	1,500 00	.....	.....	23
East Fulton	George W. Price	Bridgeville	350 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
East Saginaw	John S. Goldie	East Saginaw	2,000 00	18,145 00	70,000 00	.....	.....	200
East Tawas	O. N. Carpenter	East Tawas	600 00	200 00	1,500 00	\$1,000 00	\$100 00	61
Essexville	Joseph Leighton	Essexville	600 00	.....	.....	.....	275 00	80
Flint	George S. Gedney	Flint	1,250 00	700 00	6,500 00	3,500 00	.....	.....
Genesee	C. G. Westover	Mount Morris	200 00	50 00	500 00	.....	.....	60
Goodrich	Henry W. Browne	Goodrich	700 00	680 00	2,500 00	.....	25 00	45
Grand Blanc	Edward Parsons	Grand Blanc	700 00	246 00	2,200 00	1,200 00	50 00	52
Harland Centre	Miss S. A. Griffing	Harland Centre	407 32	70 00	2,000 00	.....	.....	40
Ithaca	C. W. Marvin	Ithaca	700 00	61 54	1,000 00	.....	.....	51

Laingsburg.....	Chas. E. Hollister.....	\$600 00	\$125 00	\$1,500 00			50
Maple Rapids.....	Wm. F. Petseys.....	200 00		2,500 00			15
Munger.....	H. Blodget.....	600 00	150 00	3,500 00		\$50 00	40
Ovid.....	Clarence W. Danforth.....	1,200 00	193 90	5,000 00		500 00	150
Owosso.....	Charles Stewart.....	800 00	4 90	3,500 00			40
Perry.....	R. D. Marble.....	1,000 00					
St. Johns.....	P. E. Walsworth.....	300 00					
Standish.....	Mrs. W. D. King.....	500 00	30 00	1,500 00		200 00	20
Tawas City.....	J. O. Whittemore.....	115 00		2,200 00			60
Tyrone.....	John M. Safford.....	600 00		3,300 00			30
Vernon.....	Seymour C. Watson.....						44
Victor.....	E. D. Post.....	700 00	50 00	2,000 00		110 00	100
Vienna.....	S. N. Beden.....						
<i>So. Michigan Conference.</i>							
Canandaigua.....	C. H. Baldwin.....	\$15,922 00	\$21,168 25	\$130,200 00	\$6,550 00	\$1,310 00	12 58
Clinton.....	S. Brown.....	\$200 00	60 00	\$2,000 00	\$1,200 00		35
Dundee.....	R. J. King.....	800 00	100 00	3,000 00	1,000 00	25 00	30
Franklin.....	Carroll Robbins.....	600 00	92 44	2,000 00	300 00		57
Hudson.....	Geo. Whitbeck.....	600 00	134 50	3,000 00			
Jerome.....	Lloyd Westover.....	900 00	100 00	15,000 00			150
Litchfield.....	F. C. Mead.....			2,000 00		150 00	
London.....	Geo. Haight.....	493 43	312 97	8,000 00		100 00	80
Morenci.....	O. E. Green.....	470 00		1,300 00			
North Adams.....	Jas. H. Speer.....	600 00	1,234 31	4,000 00			60
Prattville.....	J. F. Farnham.....	200 00	110 57	2,000 00	1,000 00		75
Raisinville.....	Mrs. M. E. Knoggs.....	500 00		800 00			20
Ransom.....	Lewis Thompson.....	475 00	324 64	800 00	400 00		30
Somersel.....	Geo. Smith.....	600 00	150 00	1,500 00	1,000 00		60
West Adrian.....	S. L. Burr.....	250 00	100 00	900 00			22
Wheatland.....	G. S. Wells.....	660 00	101 00	7,000 00	600 00		30
<i>Kalamazoo Association.</i>							
Alamo.....	Charles W. Barber.....	\$7,348 43	\$2,820 48	\$55,300 00	\$5,500 00	\$275 00	669
Allegan.....	Henry Franks.....	\$500 00	\$50 00	\$3,500 00	\$2,000 00		
Augusta.....	J. W. Lane.....	1,100 00	175 00	1,500 00	1,500 00		35
Benton Harbor.....	Albert James.....	595 00	125 00	2,000 00			100
Bridgeman.....	Ambrose S. Wight.....	700 00	125 00	1,200 00		100 00	50
Coloma.....	Laura E. Gilson.....	255 00	13 00	500 00			42
Cooper.....	J. M. DeLano.....	200 00	100 00	1,500 00			40
Covert.....	David B. Allen.....	800 00	150 00	2,000 00	1,700 00		60
Dowagiac.....	Nelson Wheelock.....	900 00	150 00	4,000 00	1,500 00	150 00	45
Galesburg.....	M. M. Proctor.....	1,000 00	100 00	5,000 00		100 00	75
Hamilton.....	Bruce W. Lincoln.....	852 00		9,500 00	1,500 00		80
Hopkins, 1st.....	Edwin Parnelee.....	500 00					
Hopkins, 2d.....	C. H. Furber.....	175 00	20 00	300 00	250 00		20
		220 00	60 00	50 00			

Kalamazoo, Ist.....	M. B. Miller.....	Kalamazoo.....	\$1,700 00	\$840 75	\$15,000 00	\$3,000 00	173
Kalamazoo, Plymouth.....	Miss H. J. Johnson.....	Kalamazoo.....	1,100 00	240 56	5,000 00	800 00	85
Keeler.....	Pliny P. Sykes.....	Keeler.....	.....	230 00	2,200 00	.....	40
Lawrence.....	E. Branch.....	Lawrence.....	600 00	.....	2,000 00	.....	.....
Mattawan.....	W. B. Gorham.....	Mattawan.....	600 00	301 00	1,500 00	.....	25
Osego.....	Rev. Charles Temple.....	Osego.....	500 00	75 00	2,800 00	.....	65
Saugatuck.....	E. S. Pride.....	Saugatuck.....	700 00	346 50	1,000 00	75 00	125
South Haven.....	Geo. L. Seaver.....	South Haven.....	800 00	.....	7,500 00	.....	100
St. Joseph.....	Josephine C. Webster.....	St. Joseph.....	1,100 00	820 00	5,000 00	.....	102
Three Oaks.....	S. K. Warner.....	Three Oaks.....	600 00	200 00	4,000 00	.....	60
Vicksburg.....	O. B. Dunning.....	Vicksburg.....	600 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....
			\$16,097 00	\$4,221 81	\$77,050 00	\$13,450 00	1,322
<i>Gr'd Traverse Conference.</i>							
Almira.....	Calvin Linkletter.....	Almira.....	\$90 00	.....	.....	.....	25
Benzonia.....	David B. Speucer.....	Benzonia.....	200 00	25 00	.....	.....	75
Brown.....	John Kerry.....	Manistee.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21
Empire.....	Wm. Young.....	Empire.....	70 00	.....	.....	.....	20
Frankfort.....	E. B. Frost.....	Frankfort.....	600 00	81 82	3,000 00	.....	57
Glen Arbor.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	45
Homestead.....	Camden Johnson.....	Homestead.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	16
Joyfield.....	Mrs. Edith Reed.....	Welden.....	10 00	.....	2,000 00	.....	17
Leland.....	John Porter.....	Leland.....	50 00	26 00	.....	.....	25
Marilla.....	Harlan Carniff.....	Cleon.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	40
Old Mission.....	Henry G. Reynolds.....	Old Mission.....	600 00	50 00	.....	.....	20
Onekema (German).....	Lewis E. Hale.....	Pleasanton.....	50 00	20 00	400 00	.....	30
Pleasanton.....	H. A. Austin.....	Pleasanton.....	65 00	2 00	400 00	.....	30
Sherman.....	J. S. Walling.....	Sherman.....	275 00	.....	1,500 00	.....	12
Solon.....	Hiram Terry.....	Solon.....	.....	12 64	.....	.....	.....
Traverse City.....	S. E. Wait.....	Traverse City.....	1,300 00	.....	4,000 00	.....	.....
Whitewater.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	433
			\$3,710 00	\$217 46	\$11,450 00	.....	.....
<i>Western Conference.</i>							
Fremont Center.....	Jesse McIntire.....	Fremont Center.....	\$600 00	.....	\$1,000 00	.....	20
Fruitport.....	Mrs. Catherine Thorp.....	Fruitport.....	400 00	40 00	.....	.....	46
Grand Haven.....	Silas M. Wright.....	Grand Haven.....	900 00	1,350 00	12,000 00	75 00	25
Hart.....	Mrs. M. B. Reed.....	Hart.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Muskegon.....	Wesley F. Wood.....	Muskegon.....	2,000 00	2,100 00	7,000 00	3,000 00	50
Newaygo.....	W. D. Fuller.....	Newaygo.....	600 00	130 00	3,000 00	35 00	.....
Nunica.....	Mrs. Sarah B. Greene.....	Nunica.....	.....	.....	200 00	.....	25
Olive.....	Charles Pierce.....	Olive Center.....	250 00	5 00	.....	.....	40
Pentwater.....	John Ripley.....	Pentwater.....	900 00	123 00	1,500 00	50 00	35
Robinson.....	Mrs. Julia Griswold.....	Robinson.....	250 00	20 00	1,000 00	.....	59
Shelby.....	E. M. Morris.....	Shelby.....	800 00	50 00	1,000 00	.....	100
Whitecloud.....	A. G. Clark.....	White Cloud.....	600 00	150 00	.....	.....	40
Whitehall.....	Fred. Norman.....	Whitehall.....	800 00	245 00	5,000 00	1,200 00	.....
			\$8,100 00	\$4,213 00	\$31,700 00	\$4,200 00	440

SUMMARY OF BENEVOLENCES, PARISH EXPENSES, CHURCH PROPERTY, ETC., FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 31, 1881.

NAMES OF CONFERENCES AND ASSOCIATIONS.	A. B. C. F. M.	American Home Missio- ary Society.	American Missionary Association.	Congregational Union.	Congregational Publish- ing Society.	Western Educational Society.	American Bible Society.	Other Benevolences.	Amount of Ministers Salary, including Rent of Parsonage.	Amount of Parish Ex- penses, exclusive of Minister's Salary.	Value of Church Edifice	Value of Parsonages.	Permanent Fund.	No. of Families in the Parish.
Eastern Conference.....	\$2,231 40	\$1,274 03	\$1,521 44	\$114 48	.....	\$53 66	\$2 26	\$5,512 89	\$20,979 50	\$9,102 31	\$198,300 00	\$20,800 00	\$4,076 00	1,696
Jackson Conference.....	2,160 95	1,082 44	1,618 11	54 89	.....	.....	13 50	1,660 15	10,314 14	6,455 74	124,500 00	7,900 00	770 00	1,171
Marshall Conference.....	219 26	416 11	554 48	92 35	.....	20 00	19 41	368 98	8,165 00	3,614 50	64,600 00	2,350 00	130 00	969
Grand River Conference.....	137 59	761 67	164 50	76 24	.....	.....	.....	2,347 94	12,736 00	6,227 00	126,313 00	3,633 00	840 00	1,255
Genesee Conference.....	785 42	618 44	830 63	128 28	5 00	.....	31 20	964 38	15,922 00	21,168 25	130,200 00	6,550 00	1,310 00	1,258
Southern Michigan Conference.....	232 08	381 02	121 85	67 12	.....	12 00	3 50	47 50	7,348 43	2,820 48	55,300 00	5,500 00	275 00	669
Kalamazoo Association.....	383 43	717 39	341 72	122 09	1 92	29 40	28 47	235 93	16,097 00	4,221 81	77,050 00	13,450 00	485 00	1,322
Grand Traverse Conference.....	24 83	140 20	52 91	8 32	.....	.....	1 38	1 50	3,710 00	217 46	11,450 00	.....	.....	433
Western Conference.....	25 06	191 82	14 83	11 04	1 80	.....	.....	78 00	8,100 00	4,213 00	31,700 00	4,200 00	160 00	440
Northern Central Conference.....	77 75	217 31	38 20	79 49	.....	.....	75 00	6 11	5,600 00	2,335 25	38,200 00	.....	240 00	690
Cheboygan Conference.....	36 98	131 24	25 61	24 70	.....	14 95	.....	.....	4,775 00	751 50	8,950 00	600 00	100 00	225
Lake Superior Conference.....	266 44	237 29	728 17	141 85	.....	30 27	38 08	418 80	3,240 00	1,806 45	19,000 00	1,500 00	2,000 00	160
Lansing Association.....	232 00	447 90	116 80	111 78	.....	.....	.....	527 91	9,059 00	15,840 50	63,100 00	3,800 00	50 00	728
Chippewa & Mackinac Conference	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,304 00	150 00	.....	.....	.....	352
Totals.....	\$6,813 19	\$6,676 86	\$5,929 25	\$1032 63	\$8 72	\$130 00	\$212 80	\$12,165 09	\$127,350 07	\$78,924 25	\$948,663 00	\$70,283 00	\$10,436 00	11,368

NAMES OF MINISTERS

CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN, WITH POST-OFFICE ADDRESS, CORRECTED UP TO DATE OF GOING TO PRESS.

[The figures refer to the Local Bodies.]

Abbott, T. C., Lansing.....	5	Curry, William, Bay Mills.....	14
Adams, Amos B., Benzonia.....	8	Curtis, Leander, Custer.....	10
Adams, William, —, Oregon.....	8		
Allen, Simeon O., New York City.....	1	Daniels, Joseph L., Olivet.....	3
Allen, William C., Delhi Mills.....	2	Davies, James, Atwood.....	11
Audrus, Elizur, Cooper.....	7	Dawson, John B., Essexville.....	5
Armstrong, James, Roscommon.....	11	Day, Warren F., East Saginaw.....	5
Austin, Henry A.,.....	8	Dickinson, F. W., Almcnt.....	1
		Downer, Sawyer B., Prattville.....	6
Bacon, Miles E., Pompeii.....	5	Deolittle, Charles, Grand Rapids.....	4
Bailey, Chas. E., Benzonia.....	8	Dyer, Edmund, Southfield.....	6
Baird, Robert G., Lansing.....	1		
Baldwin, John A., Detroit.....	1	Eaton, Danforth L., Lowell.....	4
Barnard, S. A. Lansing.....	13	Eddy, Zachary, D. D., Detroit.....	1
Barrows, Walter M., N. Y. City.....	3	Ellison, John, Ovid.....	11
Bartlett, James A., Shelby.....	9	Estabrook, Joseph, Olivet.....	3
Beach, George L., Reed City.....	10	Everts, Reuben, Battle Creek.....	6
Berney, Daniel, Port Sanilac.....	1	Evarts, Nathaniel K., Dorrr.....	4
Berry, Edward A., Pontiac.....	1		
Bettes, Darius, Eastmanville.....	4	Fairfield, Minor W., Muskegon.....	1
Bissell, Lemuel B., Memphis.....	1	Finster, Clarence, Robinson.....	9
Bonney, John R., Bronson.....	3	Fisher, Joseph D., Benzonia.....	8
Booth, Edwin, Grandville.....	4	Francis, D. W., Mazon, Ill.....	4
Bradford, Park A. C., St. Clair.....	1	Frost, Lewis P., Swartz Creek.....	5
Branch, Edwin T., Semersset.....	6		
Breede, D. Payson, Eaton Rapids.....	3	Galiger, James P., Newaygo.....	9
Breede, Samuel D., Ypsilanti.....	1	Glidden, N. Dimic, Oxford.....	1
Bristol, Frank L., Ithaca.....	5	Gordon, Isaac G., Sault de Ste Marie.....	14
Brown, Alvin H., Jackson.....	2	Goodell, Henry M., —,.....	9
Brown, Anselm B., Detroit.....	1	Goodwin, H. M., D. D., Olivet.....	3
Brown, Charles O., Kalamazoo.....	7	Grannis, George H., Oberlin, O.....	1
Brown, J. Newton, Charlotte.....	3	Graves, J. S., Niles.....	7
Bryant, Stephen O., Mancelona.....	11	Green, Nelson, Detroit.....	1
Bugbey, W. S., Middleville.....	4	Gridley, Albert L., Benzonia.....	8
Bullock, Motier A., Metamora.....	1		
Bunnell, John J., Williamston.....	4	Hale, Lewis E., Pleasanton.....	8
Burgess, Richard M., White Rock.....	1	Hayden, Fred. S., Flint.....	5
Bush, Frederick W., West Leroy.....	7	Hibbard, Augustine G., South Coventry, Conn.....	3
Butterfield, Horatio Q., D. D., Olivet.....	3	Higgins, Robert M., Calumet.....	12
		Holiday, Henry M., Fruitport.....	4
Oady, Cornelius S., Kalamo.....	3	Holmes, Thomas, D. D., Chelsea.....	2
Cairnduff, W. H., Frankfort.....	4	Hosford, Oramel, Olivet.....	3
Caldwell, Wm. E., Rockford.....	4	Hough, Jesse W., D. D., Jackson.....	2
Calland, William C., Rochester.....	1	Hovenden, Robert, Vicksburg.....	1
Candee, George, Bradley.....	4	Hughes, Isaac C., Beacon, Ia.....	6
Chaddock, Emory G., Manistee.....	10	Hullinger, Frank W., Milton, Wis.....	6
Childs, Truman D., Anthony, Ks.....	2	Hunt, Ozrow N., Lawrence.....	7
Comstock, Davillo W., Adrian.....	7	Hunt, Ward I., Columbus.....	1
Colton, Theron G., Hudson.....	6	Hurd, Fayette, Laingsburg.....	5
Cossar, Andrew O., Imlay City.....	1	Hurd, Philo R., D. D., Detroit.....	1
Crane, Kendrick H., Pinckney.....	2	Husted, John T., Ovid.....	13
Curry, E. S., Sault de Ste Marie.....	14	Ireland, Ebenezer, Richmond.....	1

James, Wm. A., Minneapolis, Minn.....	3	Ross, A. Hastings, Port Huron.....	1
Jones, Thomas, Detroit.....	1	Ryder, Wm. H., Ann Arbor.....	2
Jones, Ira B., Freeport.....	4	Sailor, John, Saugatuck.....	7
Kedzie, Adam S., Grand Haven.....	7	Sanderson, Alonzo, Flint.....	5
Kellogg, W. M.,.....	5	Sanderson, John P., Clio.....	5
Kelsey, Lysander, Maybee.....	6	Sargent, Ben F., Grand Rapids.....	4
Kidder, John S., Hopkins.....	7	Sessions, Samuel, St. Johns.....	5
Kirkland, Elias E., Northport.....	11	Shattuck, C. S., North Adams.....	6
Kitchel, H. D., D. D., Milwaukee, Wis.....	1	Shaw, Edwin W., Vernon.....	5
Lanphear, N. D., Alabaster.....	7	Shultz, J. D., Dundee.....	6
Lee, Lucius O., Marash, Turkey.....	5	Sillence, Wm. E., Manistee.....	10
Lewis, Richard, Grand Haven.....	9	Skentelbury, W. H., Wacousta.....	13
Liggett, James D., Detroit.....	1	Smith, Henry H., Chase.....	10
Linkletter, Elihu, Almira.....	8	Smith, J. Malcolm, Old Mission.....	8
Livermore, Albert, St. Ignace.....	14	Smith, J. Morgan, Grand Rapids.....	4
Ludwig, Casimer B., Farwell.....	5	Smith, Moses, Detroit.....	1
Lyon, J. Monroe, Goodrich.....	5	Spelman, Levi P., Covert.....	7
Mahan, Asa, D. D., London, Eng.....	6	Spooner, Charles, Olivet.....	3
Maile, John L., Portland.....	4	Spoor, Orange H., Dowagiac.....	7
Marsh, Charles A., Cheboygan.....	11	St. John, Joseph, Orion.....	1
Marsh, Henry, Edmore.....	13	Stout, Wm. D., Lickley's Corners.....	6
McClellan, Page F., Northport.....	11	Taylor, James F., Saugatuck.....	7
McKay, James A., Saranac.....	4	Taylor, R.,.....	4
McNair, David C., Wayne.....	1	Temple, Charles, Otsego.....	7
Millard, Joseph D., Pleasanton.....	8	Thompson, Oren C., Detroit.....	1
Miller, Daniel, Glen Arbor.....	8	Tomes, Isaac N., Mattawan.....	7
Miller, Elisha W., Big Rapids.....	10	Tuthill, George M., Kalamazoo.....	5
More, B., Middleville.....	4	Uiterwyck, Henry, Grand Rapids.....	4
Morse, Henry C., Union City.....	3	Van Antwerp, John, Merenc.....	6
Mulder, William, Victor.....	2	Van Auker, Abraham, Gaylord.....	11
Murray, O. E., Olivet.....	3	Van Auker, H. H., Union City.....	2
Nield, Thomas, Elmira.....	11	Verney, James, Perry.....	3
Norris, Austin H., Ada.....	4	Waldo, Levi F., Grand Rapids.....	4
Noyes, Selah W., Fife Lake.....	6	Warren, Leroy, Lansing.....	13
Osborne, Wm. H., Grand Rapids.....	5	Warren, Waters, Three Oaks.....	7
Otis, Jonathan T., Sheridan.....	13	Wastell, Wm. P., Clinton.....	1
Otis, Norman L., Crystal.....	4	Waterman, Alfred T., Grand Blanc.....	5
Palmer, S. S., Mancelona.....	13	Waters, Otis B., Whitehall.....	10
Parker, Charles, Salem, Or.....	13	Watts, James, Leslie.....	2
Parrey, Porter B., Bridgeman.....	7	Wells, J. D., Kokomo, Ind.....	6
Parsons, Robert, Flat Rock.....	1	Williams, Horace R., Vermontville.....	3
Patchin, John, Grass Lake.....	2	Williams, Wolcott B., Charlotte.....	3
Patton, James L., Greenville.....	13	Wilson, George E., Clinton.....	6
Phillips, Samuel, Disco.....	1	Willson, Theodore B., —, Conn.....	10
Piero, John D., Ypsilanti.....	2	Wood, Abel S., St. Joseph.....	7
Platt, Lester B., Owosso.....	5	Wood, Fred, C., Battle Creek.....	3
Pollard, George A., Grand Rapids.....	4	Woodmansee, Wm., Port Sanilac.....	5
Porter, Samuel F., —, Minn.....	7	Woodworth, R., Wayne, O.....	6
Porter, T. Arthur, Kalkaska.....	11	Werden, Jesse A. S. Ionia.....	4
Puddefoot, Wm. G., White Cloud.....	9	Wright, Newel S., Kalamazoo.....	7
Redeoff, Richard, Sherman.....	8	Youngs, John W., Big Springs, Wis.....	11
Richards, J. E., St. Johns.....	5		
Roberts, Wm. G., Yale Sem., N. Haven, Conn.....	3		
Robertson, Angus A., South Haven.....	7		
Roseboro, S. R., Grey's Mills, Pa.....	3		

UNASSOCIATED MINISTERS.

Angell, Marcus S., New Baltimore.
 Prudden, Theodore P., Lansing.
 Vincent, James, Salem.

HOME MISSIONS IN MICHIGAN.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1881.

We have given more money for Home Missions the past year than ever before. Our contributions have been, for the preaching work, \$6,989.30 (last year, \$6,599.08); for the Sunday School work, \$210.33 (last year, \$138.90); for the new educational work, \$145.31. Legacies have been paid to the amount of \$1,698.79 (last year, \$1,400.96.) Total for the State, \$9,043.73 (last year, \$8,138.94). Increase over last year, \$904.79. We have also gone \$131.26 above the high water mark of eight years ago. Aside from legacies, the contributions for three years past have been \$6,377, \$6,737, and \$6,989—a steady though not rapid increase.

The gain in the contributions to Home Missions has not been at the expense of other benevolences. Thanks to the honorable women of our churches, Michigan paid last year \$1,362.99 more to the American Board than the Home Missionary Society. The past year, also, we have done rather better than usual for the Freedmen; and Michigan gives more than any other Western State to the American Congregational Union. The gain for Home Missions has been the result, not of an extra effort, but of our plan of giving seventy-five cents a member. We have had no unusually large gifts, but we have lessened somewhat the number of non-contributing churches, and the average rate of giving is improved, especially in some of the smaller churches. But there is room for large improvement yet. Our seventy-five cents a member—if all the churches had paid it—would have given us \$10,986, but we actually received only \$7,345. Our present plan may or may not be the best, but it is surely capable of yielding better results if we will work it more faithfully. We beg your carefulest attention to the appended table, showing the work of the plan in the several

conferences and churches. What can be done to make this plan work better in your conference and in your church?

Though we made some gain the past year, we came short of our aim. You voted at Detroit last year to encourage your Executive Committee to expect \$10,000. You gave us, legacies and all, but \$9,043.73. This shortage of nearly a thousand dollars, together with the unexpected and unavoidable enlargement of the work in the Upper Peninsula, brought us, at the end of the year, in spite of all we could do, in arrears to the Society at New York to the amount of \$1,554.93. The Society, after its manner, generously forgives the debt. Fortunately for us, they could. But they warn us under no circumstances to repeat the hazardous and demoralizing experiment. The payment of this arrearage of \$1,554.93, and the gift of \$500, nearly, to put papers and books into our new Sunday Schools, together with the original apportionment to the State for the year, makes the Society's expenditures in Michigan, over and above our own contributions, \$9,804.93, or in round numbers, \$10,000.

Ten thousand dollars, though much less than we have received in some former years, is still quite a sum for Christians of the older States to be investing annually in planting Congregational churches in Michigan. It ought to stir us to do the best possible for ourselves. There are Christian people at the East who think Michigan ought to have the Sunday school, the preached gospel, the organized church, and the house of worship. They were willing to put \$10,000 with our \$9,000 to help us do the work the past year.

Our State presents a Home Missionary field of unsurpassed interest and importance. During the past decade more than a thousand miles of railroad have been built into the new counties north and northwest of the northernmost places where the General Association has ever met. The new country opened by these railroads is our principal Home Missionary field. Here has been the chief increase of our population, and here our new churches have been planted. For example, Montcalm, now a leading Congregational county, had in 1870 thirteen thousand people. It now has thirty-three thousand. It had in 1870 one Congregational church. It now has nine. It then had one Congregational meeting house, worth, perhaps, \$3,000. It now has seven Congregational meeting-houses, worth more than \$40,000. So Nawaygo county has grown in ten years from seven thousand people to fourteen thous-

and, and we have planted four churches in that county. Osceola county has grown from two thousand people to ten thousand, and we have planted three churches in that county. Mason county has grown from three thousand to ten thousand, and we have planted therein three churches. Manistee county has grown from six thousand to twelve thousand, and we have planted three churches. Kalkaska has grown from four hundred people to three thousand, and we have planted three churches. Antrim has grown from less than two thousand to more than five thousand, and we have planted three churches there also. And Chippewa county has grown from one thousand six hundred to five thousand two hundred, and we have planted six churches in that county.

Nearly three-fourths of our new churches are planted in villages and settlements where no other churches exist. For example, we have organized thirty-two churches in the past two years, and twenty-three of them are in villages and settlements where there are no other organizations. Most of these new counties where our new churches are formed are only sparsely settled. They are in much the same condition as were the two or three southern tiers of counties forty years ago. The people endure hardships, and the missionary pastors who serve them share their trials.

Of all the States that are less than fifty years old, Michigan has received larger increase of population the past ten years than any others, except Kansas and Texas; and of population really congenial to Congregationalism and to our Home Missionary work the increase has been greater in Michigan than in Kansas or Texas. Michigan has added more Congregational church members the past ten years than any other Western State. Only three States—Massachusetts, New York and Connecticut—have made a larger net gain of Congregational church members in ten years than Michigan. Massachusetts has added 11,730, New York 7,938, Connecticut 6,589, and Michigan 6,278. Immigration to our State is now more rapid than ever before, and the calls for Sunday-schools and church, minister and meeting-house, are more frequent and urgent. The present decade, bringing us a half million more people, will mostly complete the first occupancy of the new lands, the platting of the new villages and the founding of the pioneer churches throughout our northern counties in both peninsulas. This decade, more than any that shall follow it, will determine the kind of churches we shall have and the spirit and character of the people throughout

northern Michigan. We can now shape the moulds into which these fluent populations shall be cast, and so make certain the character of the neighborhoods and towns into which they shall set and become fixed, whether of Christian proportion and beauty or of ignorant uncouthness and moral deformity. These years—this year—brings an opportunity which passes and comes not again.

A matter of special interest in the work of the past year has been the formation of seven churches in Chippewa and Mackinaw counties. Remote from any other Congregational churches, they have united to form a new conference. For more than a dozen years we had no Home Missionary church in the Upper Peninsula. The population had more than doubled since we had planted one. That part of the State long left a wilderness, has now begun a rapid development. Within two years the shipments of iron ore have increased from one million tons to two million tons. The production of copper and lumber is rapidly increasing. Quarries of slate and building stone are to be opened. The agricultural lands are being rapidly occupied. A line of railway from east to west, throughout the length of the Peninsula, will be shortly built, constituting, with its branches, a complete railway system for that part of the State, and forming a part of a great trans-continental route. The germs of new towns and villages are springing up everywhere. These facts constitute a call of Providence. This vast area, two-fifths of the State, belongs to us to evangelize. We cannot consent that any part of our State should be peopled without the gospel, the Sunday-school and the church. Through all these years God has held back the development of this vast region, with its hidden wealth, till there should be a gathering of Christian forces in the older parts of the State, to enable us to undertake this work. Now, when we have almost gone over the ground with the first planting of pioneer churches in the northern counties of the Lower Peninsula, this new field is all at once set open before us; God has given us this work to call into exercise the faith, the benevolence, and the energy of our churches. To do this work joyfully for Christ's sake and country's sake, will make our churches strong in Christ's strength, and fair in His beauty. Let us go forward.

After the carefulest study of all the fields we find that the least possible sum which will suffice to carry through the work of the year without serious loss, is \$18,000. The aggregate of esti-

mates furnished by the several local Conference Committees is \$21,500, or about twenty per cent. more. But making this reduction of twenty per cent. from the figures of the local Home Missionary Committees, we must still have \$18,000 or leave some of our churches without preaching. We expect \$6,500 for the preaching work from the Society at New York. We must therefore raise \$11,500 from sources within the State. Can we not secure \$10,000 from the churches by the contributions of seventy-five cents a member? Can we not raise \$1,500 more (the sum which our new Chippewa and Mackinaw Conference will cost us), from the gifts of individuals of larger means, from the contributions of the Women's Missionary Societies and the Sunday schools? Our churches are growing in numbers and means. Many are getting out of debt and on a surer footing. We are steadily increasing our contributions to the leading benevolences at the rate of about \$2,000 a year. Our \$9,000 for Home Missions, and \$10,500 for Foreign Missions seemed to come freely last year. Can we not count on \$10,000 for Home Missions this year from the churches? And in view of the special exigency, may we not hope also to find somewhere the \$1,500 needed for the new Conference? Probably the Lord will not give us a new Conference next year.

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Executive Committee.

Adopted, Lansing, May 12, 1881.

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TABLE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME MISSIONS,

Showing (1) the number of resident members in each church, (2) the amount proposed to be raised by each church, reckoned at seventy-five cents a member, and (3) the amount actually paid by each church.

CONFERENCES.	Resident Members.	At 75 Cents per Member.	Amount Paid.	CONFERENCES.	Resident Members.	At 75 Cents per Member.	Amount Paid.
<i>Eastern.</i>				Marshall.....	42	31 50	21 50
Almont.....	82	\$61 50	\$46 91	North Johnstown...	9	6 75	.....
Armada.....	86	64 50	32 00	Olivet.....	208	156 00	157 59
Chesterfield.....	47	35 25	.....	Onondaga.....	13	9 75	.....
Columbus.....	73	54 75	40 00	Pottersville.....	36	27 00	14 00
Detroit, 1st.....	466	349 50	755 58	Vermontville.....	171	128 25	28 00
Detroit, 2d.....	159	119 25	160 00	Walton.....	24	18 00	2 25
Flat Rock.....	46	34 50	1 50	<i>Grand River.</i>			
Hunter's Creek.....	12	9 00	.....	Ada.....	1,222	916 50	527 61
Imlay City.....	57	42 75	37 10	North Ada.....	49	36 75	26 25
Lexington.....	16	12 00	45 85	Allendale.....	21	15 75	7 00
Memphis.....	89	66 75	4 00	Alpine and Walker.	40	30 00	9 75
Metamora.....	46	34 50	10 25	Cannon.....	45	33 75	27 20
Nankin & Livonia.....	29	21 75	6 00	Cannonsburg.....	31	23 25	4 00
New Baltimore.....	29	21 75	3 75	Cedar Springs.....	22	16 50	16 50
New Haven.....	53	39 75	3 00	Dorr.....	36	27 00	28 15
Oakwood.....	60	45 00	.....	Dorr Village.....	98	73 50	10 00
Orion.....	32	24 00	4 00	Eastmanville.....	16	12 00	.....
Oxford.....	44	33 00	13 00	Freeport.....	23	17 25	10 06
Pontiac.....	179	134 25	6 20	Grand Rapids, 1st.....	21	15 75	9 60
Port Huron.....	264	198 00	162 25	Grand Rapids, 2d.....	517	387 75	387 75
Port Sanilac.....	37	27 75	27 99	Grand Rapids, S.....	75	56 25	.....
Richmond.....	53	39 75	12 00	Grandville.....	51	38 25	9 20
Rochester.....	125	93 75	10 38	Hudsonville.....	20	15 00	16 30
Romeo.....	208	156 00	284 12	Irying.....	30	22 50	13 70
Royal Oak.....	54	40 50	15 17	Lamont.....	33	24 75	11 25
St. Clair.....	88	66 00	.....	Lowell.....	30	22 50	4 53
Utica.....	61	45 75	15 15	Middleville.....	61	45 75	.....
Wayne.....	199	149 25	35 00	Paris.....	61	45 75	21 77
White Rock.....	12	9 00	13 10	Rockford.....	15	11 25	20 17
	2,706	2,029 50	1,744 30	Sand Lake.....	23	17 25	23 50
<i>Jackson.</i>				Stanton.....	11	8 24	1 43
Ann Arbor.....	227	170 25	172 74	Wayland.....	64	48 00	13 00
Augusta.....	49	36 75	14 14		35 1/2	26 25	8 00
Chelsea.....	134	100 50	115 75	South Boston. }.....	1,428	1,071 00	678 93
Grass Lake.....	92	69 00	46 50	Unassociated.. }.....			19 00
Hamburg.....	24	18 00	.....	<i>Genesee.</i>			
Jackson.....	412	309 00	391 00	Alma.....	30	22 50	.....
Leslie.....	60	45 00	6 00	Alpena.....	234	175 50	68 50
Michigan Centre.....	15	11 25	.....	Bay City.....	98	73 50	.....
Napoleon.....	13	9 75	12 50	Bridgeport.....	22	16 50	10 00
North Leoni.....	18	13 50	.....	East Saginaw.....	322	241 50	219 90
Pinkney.....	35	26 25	22 65	East Tawas.....	95	71 25	.....
Salem.....	36	27 00	26 00	Essexville..	31	23 25	13 15
Sandstone.....	38	28 50	5 50	Flint.....	162	121 50	102 58
Summit.....	79	59 25	58 18	Fulton.....	27	20 25	.....
Union City.....	226	169 50	107 64	Genesee.....	33	24 75	.....
Webster.....	61	45 75	54 75	Goodrich.....	32	24 00	30 50
	1,519	1,139 25	1,033 35	Grand Blanc.....	64	48 00	17 00
<i>Marshall.</i>				Hartland.....	54	40 50	13 50
Bedford.....	80	60 00	11 00	Ithaca.....	26	19 50	10 53
Bronson.....	47	35 25	50 00	Laingsburg.....	50	37 50	47 59
Ceresco.....	23	17 25	20 54	Maple Rapids.....	79	59 25	.....
Charlotte.....	206	154 50	154 50	Munger.....	14	10 50	.....
Chester.....	11	8 25	.....	Ovid.....	63	47 25	42 00
East Johnstown.....	20	15 00	5 41	Owosso.....	218	163 50	39 16
Eaton Rapids.....	80	60 00	30 00	Perry.....	34	25 50	26 60
Fredonia.....	104	78 00	.....	St. Johns.....	138	103 50	25 00
Johnstown & Barry	10	7 50	Standish.....	22	16 50	18 00
Kalamo.....	55	41 25	8 75				
Leroy.....	83	62 25	24 07				

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<i>Genesee (Continued.)</i>				<i>Western.</i>			
Tawas City.....	47	\$35 25	Grand Haven.....	56	\$42 00	\$37 00
Tyrone.....	59	44 25	Hart.....	13	9 75	2 00
Vernon.....	59	44 25	.....	Muskegon.....	171	128 25	60 00
Victor.....	45	33 75	\$10 00	Newaygo.....	6	4 50	11 00
Vienna.....	58	43 50	43 50	Nunica.....	13	9 75	3 50
<i>So. Michigan.</i>	2,116	1,587 00	737 51	Olive.....	8	6 00	12 00
Canandaigua.....	18	13 50	12 65	Pentwater.....	31	23 25	36 00
Clinton.....	100	75 00	1 00	Robinson.....	57	20 25	15 00
Dundee.....	23	17 25	21 66	Shelby.....	47	35 25	20 50
Franklin.....	56	42 00	24 00	White Cloud.....	26	19 50	22 00
Hudson.....	130	97 50	63 85	Whitehall.....	60	45 00	10 00
Jerome.....	27	20 25	.....		480	360 00	236 10
Litchfield.....	130	97 50	93 89	<i>North Central.</i>			
London.....	22	16 50	7 95	Baldwin.....	16	12 00	38 12
Morenci.....	61	45 75	19 65	Big Rapids.....	40	30 00	24 00
North Adams.....	99	74 25	11 56	Chase.....	24	18 00	15 00
Prattville.....	26	19 50	2 00	Clare.....	42	31 50	12 00
Raisinville.....	9	6 75	6 80	Farwell.....	16	12 00	14 00
Ransom.....	32	24 00	14 29	Hersey.....	43	32 25	8 60
Somerset.....	67	50 25	41 00	Reed City.....	43	32 25	15 00
West Adrian.....	48	36 00	34 00	Ludington.....	51	33 25	24 00
Wheatland.....	82	61 50	69 67	Manistee.....	214	160 50	108 50
<i>Kalamazoo Associa'n.</i>	930	697 50	423 77	<i>Cheboygan.</i>	489	366 75	259 22
Alamo.....	88	66 00	49 00	Alba.....	8	6 00	3 25
Allegan.....	135	101 25	65 40	Banks.....	24	18 00	24 25
Augusta.....	100	75 00	17 65	Berryville.....	10	7 50	8 00
Benton Harbor.....	50	37 50	18 00	Cheboygan.....	49	36 75	15 00
Coloma.....	18	13 50	24 00	Excelsior.....	17	12 75	1 00
Cooper.....	108	81 00	36 22	Pife Lake.....	11	8 25	4 00
Covert.....	75	56 25	46 35	Gaylord.....	31	23 25	23 25
Dowagiac.....	106	79 50	20 00	Kalkaska.....	9	6 75	2 00
Galesburg.....	147	110 25	52 03	Kearney.....	8	6 00	.....
Hopkins.....	53	39 75	49 52	Mancelona.....	16	12 00	10 00
Kalamazoo, 1st.....	296	222 00	260 80	Manton.....	10	7 50	4 00
Kalamazoo, Plym'th	161	120 75	52 20	Northport.....	38	28 50	70 96
Keeler.....	14	10 50	9 00	Otsego Lake.....	7	5 25	5 00
Lawrence.....	20	15 00	.....	Roscommon.....	15	11 25	22 00
Mattawan.....	20	15 00	20 62	Westwood.....	11	8 25	5 20
Otsego.....	75	56 25	.....		264	198 00	197 91
Saugatuck.....	62	46 50	.....	<i>Lake Superior.</i>			
South Haven.....	160	120 00	14 25	Hancock.....	124	93 00	100 00
St. Joseph.....	118	88 50	56 05	Calumet.....	96	72 00	248 95
Three Oaks.....	80	60 00	73 00		220	165 00	348 95
Vicksburg.....	41	30 75	23 25	<i>Lansing Association.</i>			
<i>Grand Traverse.</i>	1,927	1,445 25	887 34	Carson City.....	50	37 50	9 09
Almira.....	19	14 25	5 50	Coral.....	56	42 00	23 40
Benzonia.....	104	78 00	7 50	Crystal.....	19	14 25	6 00
Brown.....	47	35 25	.....	Delta.....	19	14 25	9 60
Empire.....	14	10 50	5 50	Edmore.....	7	5 25	2 99
Frankfort.....	34	25 50	24 74	Grand Ledge.....	34	25 50	7 80
Homestead.....	25	18 75	13 30	Greenville.....	165	123 75	81 39
Joyfield.....	5	3 75	.....	Hubbardston.....	59	44 25	11 66
Leland.....	24	18 00	14 10	Ionia.....	47	35 25	.....
Marilla.....	20	15 00	5 60	Lansing.....	253	189 75	180 32
Old Mission.....	9	6 75	12 00	Millbrook.....	11	8 25	7 40
Onokama.....	23	21 00	3 00	Portland.....	136	102 00	44 17
Pleasanton.....	22	16 50	4 00	Saranac.....	27	20 25	14 96
Sherman.....	20	15 00	5 60	Sebewa.....	7	5 25	.....
Solon.....	16	12 00	.....	Sheridan.....	23	21 00	26 00
Traverse City.....	80	60 00	.....	Smyrna.....	26	19 50	.....
<i>Western..</i>	467	350 25	100 84	Wacousta.....	68	51 00	49 50
Fremont Center.....	7	5 25	3 60	Williamston.....	15	11 25	13 41
Fruitport.....	15	11 25	3 50		1,027	770 25	487 69